

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District
Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 5, 2016

The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held at the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center, District Office, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN at 7:00 p.m.

Those present were Managers: Ellis Peterson; Gene Olson; & Barbs Hansen; Inspector Sheldon Struble; Guests were Larry Bessler, Joel Donner, and Karol Knudson. Those absent were Managers Jeff Moritz and Sam Blattenbauer and Administrator Liz Moritz.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center.

Treasurer's Report: Included a request for a temporary transfer of funds due to a shortage created by an error made by Becker County in transferring funds to the CLWD. Becker County will correct their error shortly. Motion by Barbs Hansen, 2nd by Ellis Peterson to transfer the funds. Treasurer's report was accepted.

Inspector's Report: Inspector Struble updated the Managers on his monthly area inspections.

Old Business:

1. It was noted the tree planting program had to reduce their tree prices from \$25 per tree to \$15 because the trees sent were too small.
2. Rossman's overgrowth of weeds was discussed. Ellis requested Moriya do this study of the weed issue (curly leaf). Gene made a motion that the CLWD supports the Rossman's survey with RMB for \$864, 2nd by Barbs Hansen, motion passed.
3. Cormorant Park Place has resolved their difference for the tree topping project. They are requesting funds. Motion by Ellis Peterson to support the project but not fund the 50 ft from the ordinary high water mark area of the project, 2nd by Gene Olson, motion carried.
4. Ellis will contact Jody Beaudine, hiring him to dredge the Upper Cormorant beaver dam area and to install a Clemson leveler attaching a pipe to the leveler. Gene Olson added we limit this project to less than \$2,000. Ellis also noted Jodie

must present proof of insurance or he will not be paid. Motion by Ellis Peterson to approve a maximum of \$2,000 to fund the dredging project, 2nd by Gene Olson, motion carried.

5. It was noted Blue water Bay was cleaned by Rick Renner on June 27, 2016. The CLWD Board believes multiple cleanings will be needed to keep it open this summer from Big Cormorant Lake.
6. Noted, the CLWD Board has no knowledge of any action taken on the Foley Project on Tanglewood Road.

New Business:

1. Mr. Donner & Mr. Besser presented a request of \$1,920 from CLWD funds to aid the Leaf Lake weed survey being conducted by RMB. Mr. Donner reported the septic systems on Leaf Lake have been completed so they are now ready to begin the survey. Motion made by Gene Olson and 2nd by Barbs Hansen to approve funding of \$1,920 to the project. Discussion followed.
2. Karol Knudson requested information and assistance for her property. The board gave her the needed information, names, phones numbers, referring her to the DNR. As she left she thanked the Board for their input.
3. Marian Spanjers requested to do plantings on their property along the lake shore. She was referred to Marsha Watland with the Becker County Soil & Water Department.
4. Meetings have been set for John & Ann Ham, 14398 Globstad , Middle Cormorant Lake, to be held at Cormorant Town Hall on July 7, 2016 at 6:30 pm. Hearing has been set for David & Jamie Swenson of 17174 South Big Cormorant Road to be held at the Becker County Courthouse on July 14, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Hearing for Jay Fearing of Fearing Drive is to be held at the Becker County Courthouse on July 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Proposal to divide lots on Upper Cormorant Lake.
5. Motion made by Gene Olson, 2nd by Barbs Hansen, carried to support Becker County Soil & Water (75%) & CLWD (25%) of \$3,100 for plantings submitted by Dan Galitz
6. The following bills were submitted for payment to the Board of Managers:

Payee	Total
Benson-Leitheiser-Soberg	\$ 20.47
Gene Olson	\$ 158.49

RMB Labs	\$	301.72
Renner Excavating	\$	500.00
Houston Engineering	\$	587.50
RCCF Nursery	\$	798.08
Conservation Corps Minnesota & Iowa	\$	1,050.00
RMB Labs	\$	2,868.13
Prairie Restorations, Inc	\$	3,700.00
Prairie Restorations, Inc	\$	4,799.96
Houston Engineering	\$	11,959.54

Motion to Adjourn by Gene Olson, seconded by Barbs Hansen at 8:45 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Submitted respectfully by Barbs Hansen.