

# Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2016

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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; Jeff Moritz & Barbs Hansen; Inspector Sheldon Struble; and Administrator Liz Larson.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order.

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

**Minutes:** The minutes from the September 2016 meeting were distributed to the managers. The minutes are available for inspection at the District Office and will be posted on the website.

**Treasurer's Report:** The financial report was presented and is on file.

**Inspectors Report:** Inspector Struble updated the Managers on his September Inspections. He reported:

- A large amount of rip rap is above the road along Holiday Beach Road
- On a property on Middle Cormorant that a silt fence is not working or in effect for the last three months; he may contact CLWD to invoke actions to remedy the situation
- Clemson leveler update

**Permits:**

1. Tom Vacho
  - a. 13981 Redman Beach Rd
  - b. Tree Removal (dead cottonwood trees)
2. Scott Tracy
  - a. Leaf Lake
  - b. Protect failing shoreline

**Old Business:**

1. Cost share amount for the Don Galitz project with Becker County Soil & Water has been updated from \$738 to \$699.62. Becker County Soil & Water (75%) CLWD (%25).
2. Discourse about upcoming Minnesota Association of Watershed District's annual meeting in December. Motion by Jeff M. to authorize Ellis & Gene to submit checks for all CLWD staff to attend the MAWD annual meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ellis Petersonn. Sam B. will be attending the early session for new managers.
3. Discourse about Lake Minnewashta and their successful treatment of 29 acres on lake for zebra mussels. Chemical used was Eart-tec-Qz, a potassium chloride application.
4. Discourse about sewers and their effects on lakes and visual impact you may be able to see from aerial photos.
5. Discourse about potential services from Cody Matthees pending his graduation in 2017.

**New Business:**

1. Discussion about Kevin Sherbrooke's inquiry about cleaning up future beavers by the pond/culvert by the Cormorant Community Center. May be required to submit a certificate of insurance.
2. Erik from Houston suggested that some trees and bushes be plated along the Herbst property. Motion by Jeff M for the CLWD provide funding to supply adequate vegetation along the Lake Property. 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbs H.
3. Discourse about potential ground water study. At the next meeting Bob Merritt will be available to talk about the ND pipeline and services he may be able to provide.
4. Manager Olson provided some financial topics:
  - a. Total Spent for the 2013 Clean Water Fund was \$259,000
  - b. Deficit in the Clean Water Fund
  - c. When new projects come up, some attention should be towards the overhead costs
  - d. Should develop some communication with Becker County Soil & Water in order to develop some cost-share projects together.

5. The following bills were submitted for payment to the Board of Managers.  
Motion to pay bills by Jeff M., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barbs H.:

Don Galitz	\$ 699.62
Houston Engineering	\$ 6,011.12
Houston Engineering	\$ 41.50
Minnesota Association Of Watershed Distri	\$ 1,740.00

Motion to Adjourn by Barbs H, seconded by Gene O at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Submitted respectfully by Jeff Moritz, Secretary; prepared by Liz Moritz, CLWD Administrator.