

**LAKE PULASKI IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
ANNUAL MEETING  
AUGUST 9, 2005 7:00 pm  
Buffalo Public Library**

**BUFFALO, MINNESOTA**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Judie Rose  
Kathryn Hoy  
Greg Hules  
Bill Jundt  
Phil Riley

**Secretary:** Carol Busse

**Guests:** Mayor Fred Naaktgeboren  
Bob Mobley, city council member

Judie Rose started the meeting by asking for a motion to approve the minutes from the 2004 annual meeting. The motion was made by Galen Eastlack seconded by Neil Hammer. The motion carried with no corrections.

**Milfoil Update:** Greg Hules reported that the DNR conducted a survey of Lake Pulaski as well as Little Pulaski. After the survey done in July 2005, the DNR denied our request to spray to control the milfoil growth in the lake. It was denied because it was not a hindrance to navigation on the lake. We will continue to monitor the growth.

The milfoil is growing within two feet below the surface of the lake. The lake is actually too clear for the milfoil to have to surface. The DNR will not treat if the milfoil does not surface.

Individual permits can be obtained by contacting the DNR. Upon review, the DNR will determine if your property is eligible for treatment. There is a maximum amount of treatable area on the lake. There have only been eight permits granted so far this year.

There was discussion regarding property owners pulling the weeds and letting them float onto other people's shorelines. If you pull the weeds, you are responsible for getting them out of the water.

**Water Patrol Update:** Jake Hermanson of the Wright County Water Patrol addressed changes in the laws recently.

- 10 and under are required to wear life jackets while in the boat.

- As of August 1, 2005, you will receive a DUI if you are operating a boat and your alcohol level is .08.
- Jet ski complaints have dropped off dramatically. People seem to be minding the rules.
- Complaints are mainly that the jet skis are operated too late in the evening.

There are 391 lakes in Wright County. There are 20 part time patrollers and one full time patroller.

If you have a complaint, contact the Wright County Water Patrol for assistance.

Mr. Hermanson suggested organizing a Volunteer Water Patrol. This is a list of people who would be willing to assist the patrollers by offering help on the lake when they get a call. A list was started at the meeting. Judie will facilitate a meeting between the water patrol and the perspective volunteers.

Rafts need a permit. There is no specific distance from shore.

**Pumping:** We are currently pumping using one pump. The other pump is being repaired. Kathryn reported that insurance would cover most of the cost to repair the pump. Cost for a new pump is approximately \$30,000

The current reading as of today is 965.01. We are able to pump until 964.5.

Olson Electric was contacted by the LID to have scuba divers clear the debris from in front of the screens. There were 9 truckloads of debris cleared before pumping could continue. Now that the flow is clear, the process should go more efficiently.

Galen Eastlack made a motion to purchase a new pump by the LID as a back up pump. Seconded by Jim Allen, Motion carried.

A comment was made regarding the lake level being brought down an additional 18 inches. In an effort to get the water level lowered the additional 18 inches, the LID has to meet all the requirements of the DNR.

We have fulfilled all of the requirements listed by the DNR except to get our water management program accepted by Wright County. This has been slowed down due to changes in personnel. Judie is putting together the information and the plans that we have and will tell the DNR that we have not received approval due to personnel changes in Wright County. We will not be able to pump down the additional inches this fall.

Budget: Kathryn presented the proposed budget for 2006. A motion was made by John Siffert to accept the budget at \$15,600. Seconded by John Campbell.

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Other: The minutes for the LID meeting are now available on the city of Buffalo web site. If we have additional information regarding issues addressed at this meeting we will update the web site for your review.

Pulaski Ponds: Bill Jundt stated that the pond was mapped last spring. The city engineer is waiting to respond as to their action.

The city will be covering the cost.

Jim Allen requested that a grate be installed in front of the Pulaski Ponds culvert. Judie will contact the city to make that request on behalf of the LID.

**Elections:**

Judie Rose and Greg Hules were nominated for their current positions. John Siffert made a motion to accept the nominations for election. Seconded by Jim Allen. Motion carried.

Note: The above-mentioned city web site is [ci.buffalo.mn.us.org](http://ci.buffalo.mn.us.org).

Kathryn mentioned that the Lake Pulaski Association contacted the LID to fund the social events that are organized by the association. Traditionally, the association asks property owners for \$10 to help with the costs of the events. John Campbell made a motion that the LID fund the three events that the association hosts up to \$1000. Seconded by Neil Hammer. Motion carried.

Nancy Allen mentioned that someone is disposing of grass clipping into the culver at Pulaski Ponds. Judie will contact the city to follow up with this.

The board is looking for a secretary to replace Carol Busse. If you are interested, contact Judie Rose.

Galen Eastlack thanked the board for their hard work.

Judie Rose adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Busse  
Administrative Assistant