

**Rock Lake Improvement Association  
Minutes for February 15, 2011**

**1. Call to Order** – Introductions and Approval of Agenda

- Present: Larry Clark, Carl Glassford, Ken Hobbs, Scott Johnson, Hope Oostdik, Andy Petraszak, Barb Smith-Baker, Stan Smoniewski, Milt Strauss.
- Absent: Johanna Chworowsky
- The agenda was accepted.

**2. Secretaries Report** – Minutes from January meeting

- A motion by Larry and seconded by Barb to accept the minutes. Motion carries.

**3. Treasurer's & Audit Committee Report** - Financial Statement and Membership Report

- Membership is 206 members.
- Account balances as of 01/08/2011 are:
  - Lake Grant Checking = \$15,000.00
  - Pay Pal Checking = \$1.00
  - Regular Checking = \$6,533.93
  - Savings = \$6,244.44
  - Total Assets = \$27,779.37
- Audit Committee: Larry Clark, Scott Johnson and Carl Glassford audited the accounts on Saturday, February 12, 2011 and found the accounts to be in good order.
- Purchasing (dishonesty) bond insurance – The new bi-laws calls for having a bonded Treasurer (and potentially Officers who handle checks). The cost per individual is \$187.00 for one year. This topic will be put on next month's agenda.

**4. Public Comment** – 2 minute limit per person, 15 minutes allotted to this agenda item

- Jan Janet – Ask to put on the 2009 final grant report and the two new grant applications. She would like to have a progress report on the new grants.

**5. Correspondence**

- Gerald Miller – Sent e-mail on weeds floating from Korth Bay to the north end of the lake in the fall. How are the weeds being uprooted with the roots attached? In answer to this: In the fall, Coots love to uproot weed and some dying weeds will be uprooted naturally.
- Amy Kay – Sent an unsolicited bid for pesticide usage to remove weeds on the lake by her company.

**6. Committees Reports**

- a. Management Plan Summary – Andy and others
  - The plan is done and needs review by the RLIA board. Andy will send out an Excel summary of the plan via e-mail. Global goals presented in the Management Plan will be discussed at the next meeting.
- b. Publicity/Membership – Activities- Review dates – Brochure
  - Membership mailing and brochure is being worked on. The committee has worked on eliminating duplicate addresses. A mailing to the following addresses will be sent: the watershed, City of Lake Mills not in the watershed and the current RLIA membership addresses.
  - Aquatic plant workshop – Potential presenters have been queried to present at a spring 20011 event. The date has been narrowed down to three or four dates. Once it is set, publicity will be sent.
- c. Making Waves
  - Some regular articles have been published in the past months.
- d. Education – Nothing New
  - Aldo Leopold Weekend will held be held March 4 – 6, 2011.
- e. Grant for new meter – resolution and estimate
  - The application was submitted to the DNR. We have not received a response from the DNR.

**f. Grant Committee Update**

- Met with Nolan Kollath on February 2. He will perform a frog and bird study in spring as required by the current grant application.
- Met with Neil O'Reilly on February 3. He agrees that the next major step is to get the home owners on board in order to have a project move ahead. Larry Clark and others have started to meet with home owners. Neil will send an electronic copy of the past final grant report.

**g. By-laws Committee Report**

- Approved changes to the bi-laws last meeting except issue regarding the terms of office for the Directors of RLIA. A suggestion by Charlie Unz and also discussed in Robert Rules is to clearly spell out the procedure for electing terms of officers. A motion to put the terms of office back into the bi-laws was made by Larry and seconded by Andy. Motion carries.

**h. Joint Rock Lake Committee Report**

- No meeting due to the snow storm

**i. County Staff Representative Report**

- County has produced a home owner's packets on various issues such as zoning rules, recreational rules on the lake, typical questions by homeowners and the RLIA brochure.
- City is proposing a new zoning ordinance which would help protect the lake. The third reading is on March 15. The 240 page ordinance is on the City's web site. This topic will be on the agenda for the next month.
- Aquatic plant workshop – Working on an agenda and a list of topics
- Knickerbocker festival & fishery – At registration, the county provided materials for ice anglers on bait and fish.

**7. Old Business**

- a. Procedures for staggering Terms of Board members – see above
- b. County LWCD report – see above

**8. New Business**

- a. Procedures for allowing comment from non-board members – discussion
  - Will retain the Public Comment portion of the meeting. In addition, the President will solicit comments from non-board members throughout the meeting. These procedures will be followed on a temporary basis.
- b. WAL meeting – registration by March 14 for early-bird registration
  - April 12-14 (Tuesday – Thursday)
  - RLIA Board members are asked to consider attending

**9. Other**

- a. The next regular meeting Monday, March 14, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

**10. Adjournment** - A motion by Larry and seconded by Barb to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. Motion carried.