

**Rock Lake Improvement Association**  
**Minutes for March 14, 2011**

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

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

**2. Secretaries Report** – Minutes from February 15, 2011 meeting

- A motion by Johanna and seconded by Milt to accept the minutes with one change. Motion carries.

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

- Membership is currently 53 for 2011 (since membership information was recently mailed out.) Note RLIA had 206 members in 2010.
- Account balances as of 01/08/2011 are:
  - Lake Grant Checking = \$15,000.00
  - Pay Pal Checking = \$1.00
  - Regular Checking = \$6,006.02
  - Savings = \$6,246.23
  - Total Assets = \$27,253.25
- A motion to join the Wisconsin Association of Lakes by paying the annual dues of \$330.00 moved by Hope second by Johanna. Motion carries.

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

- Jeanne Scherer – The aquatic plant workshop on April 16 is the same date as the Rock River Coalition workshop. (This was the date where the speakers could all make it.)

**5. Correspondence**

- Gerald Miller – Sent e-mail on weeds floating from Korth Bay to the north end of the lake in the fall. He would like to come to the April workshop.
- \_\_\_\_\_ - Asked if anyone would be willing to rent a pier to him.

**6. Committees Reports**

- a. Management Plan Summary – Andy and others
  - Andy passed out the summary of the 47 priorities found in the Management Plan. There is one page per priority item and lists action items and the status of each action item. The RLIA Board performed a high level review of the first five priorities. Around five priorities will be discussed at of the future meetings.
- b. Publicity/Membership – Activities- Review dates – Brochure
  - Membership mailing and brochure was sent out this past month.
  - 8:30 AM Saturday, April 16 aquatic plant workshop is planned. The workshop will provide speakers on aquatic plants, how lakes work (lake chemistry, temperature, etc.) and what is going on below the surface with a particular focus on lakes like Rock Lake. Publicity is also planned.
- c. Making Waves
  - Some regular articles have been published in the past months.
- d. Education –
  - Aldo Leopold Weekend was held at 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
  - Ken Potter from the UW Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering will be walking the stream with Patricia Cicero and some board members. The past samples had a lot of dissolved phosphorous. If

the phosphorous is naturally occurring in the ground water, there is not much we may be able to do. We may be able to find the source if it is from ground water.

- Tile survey – see if we can find any tile outlets, if tiles are broken.
- Will be meeting with Joe Nehmer, Jefferson County Park Director since Korth Park borders the watershed flowing into the ditch.
- A motion to hire an interim consultant at a cost to be less than \$3,000.00 to help us re-scope the two grants, meet with landowners, and assist in the writing of a RFP to be sent out for bid was made by Milt and seconded by Barb. Motion passes
- A motion was made to interview at least two consultants before hiring an interim consultant by Andy and seconded by Johanna. Motion carries.

g. Bylaws Committee Report

- A motion to approve Article VI was moved by Johann and seconded by Barb. Motion carries.
- A motion to accept Article VII, Section 4 – Treasurer as is except remove the requirement of bonding the treasurer by Johanna and seconded by Hope. Motion carries.
- A special meeting will be planned to adopt the Bylaws.

h. Joint Rock Lake Committee Report

- Stan was not in attendance to make a report

i. County Staff Representative Report

- New City of Lake Mills ordinance does add a shore land overlay. Some items that are in the Town's ordinance are not in the new City ordinance. No erosion control during construction of a boat house or disturbance of land near the lake. New ordinance requires a permit if constructing a boat house or prior but does not state any guidelines.
- Wrote a press release regarding the deadline for pier registrations with the DNR since registrations are very low. Note this is a DNR issue not a Jefferson County issue.
- Spring hearings will be held at 7:00 PM April 11 at the Jefferson County Fair Grounds. One item of note is changing the rule on fishing walleyes. The current rule is each walleye must be at least 15 inches in length and the daily limit is five walleyes. The new rule will be 18 inches and the daily bag limit is three walleyes.

## 7. Old Business

- a. Bonding – see above
- b. Attendance at workshops – see above

## 8. New Business

- a. Hire temporary consultant - Steve Gaffield from Montgomery Assoc – see above
- b. WAL meeting – registration by March 14 for early-bird registration
  - April 12-14 (Tuesday – Thursday)
  - RLIA Board members are asked to consider attending – Milt and Hope will be attending.

## 9. Other

- a. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

**10. Adjournment** - A motion by Carl and seconded by Milt to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 PM. Motion carried.