

Leino Park Water District (LPWD) Annual Meeting - June 18, 2011

1. Call to Order on June 18, 2011 at 10:07 AM

- Board members: Sue Miller (SM), Dave Crumbley (DC), Bob Brown (BB), Rick Plante (RP), Don Williams (DW), and Derek Knerr (DK).
- District members present: 16
- Guests present: 0

2. Announcements and Introductions:

- Board introductions.
- Announcements. Still looking for someone interested in becoming a Water System Operator.
- 3. Review and Approve Minutes Reading of 06/26/10 Annual Meeting minutes.

4. Election of Officers:

- Request for volunteers for any of the Board positions.
- Motion made and seconded to accept the board as is. Passed unanimously.

5. Reports:

A. Treasurer Report (Finance/Budget):

- **Presentation** DC read Income and Expenditures Report, Bridge Fund Report, and the Budget Proposal line by line. He then answered questions about how many homes there are in Leino Park, if there is a list of names that have donated to Bridge Fund, and if gravel purchased by the District is used on Parkwood Lane. A question about the light at Pine and North Shore being on all the time was answered stating that the electricity for street lights is not metered and that we pay a fixed fee. There were questions about the USDA loan and a request to send out payoff amounts to all who owe. DC will get back to the requestor. Someone pointed out a typo on the Budget where the date for the Estimated balance should be 6/28/12, not 6/28/11.
- Motion to accept was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

B. Water Commissioner Report:

- New Water Rates Town send us a bill reflecting new rates that went into effect on Jan 1, 2011. We have not set our new rate, but when we do, it will go into effect on July 1, 2011 because it is impossible to determine when water was used over the previous year. DC responded to a question about if the minimum water usage will be changed stating that it will most likely change. Large water users will be affected most. DC will be taking readings on July 1.
- Maintenance of lines and meters All household meters have been replaced. Our main meter was tested and is in great shape after 25 years. Discussion about fire rating for main meter.

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 Water Quality - Good. Flushing in coordination with Town of Westminster seems to be working to reduce TTHM levels. Warm weather makes the problem worse, so later in the summer will be the real test. DC explained more about flushing and testing. SM commented that testing is part of what a new Water Systems Operator would do.

C. Bridge Report:

- **Legal ownership** We have received letters from Leino heirs and City of Fitchburg giving us all rights of ownership. We own it.
- Replacement options We have been pursuing an easement via Honey Bee Lane but have not had much success with the new owner who purchased the land from Bill Wintturi about 6 months ago. Elizabeth Williams has been helping us pursue this from a legal standpoint. Last year, we voted to spend \$20,000 on bridge repairs, but did not spend it since an easement looked more promising. We will be doing more. All agreed that \$20K is still available from last year.

D. Maintenance Report:

- **Roads** We have been doing fairly well at maintenance.
- **Bridge** (please go slow!)

E. Communication Report:

 Website - Visit us at www.LeinoPark.org. Email us at LPWD@LeinoPark.org or LPWD@comcast.net.

6. Old Business:

- New signs give us legal standing. Liability insurance is way too expensive, so we are taking reasonable steps to prevent accidents and injury on our bridge. No one will be able to claim we are negligent.
- Deeded right-of ways Looking at deeds, it seems that every one has right to pass and repass on all roads. Question about having boat ramp at end of N Shore Rd.
- Illegal dumping. There is no dumping anywhere, especially at the corner of Parkwood Lane and Pine Street. A rooftop camera was suggested to catch illegal dumpers. If you see someone dumping, please report it. Brush growing at corner of Parkwood and Pine blocks view of oncoming traffic. DW and RP will cut brush.
- Brian will get paint to SM for touching up sign at entrance of Leino Park.

7. New Business:

- Brian requested paving Ridge St so sand will not wash down Pine St onto his property. The Board is looking into using regrind for this application.
- SM commended the Board on efforts that seemed like they have no resolution.
- **8.** Adjournment Motion to adjourn at 11:24 seconded and passed.

Respectively submitted,

Derek Knerr - Clerk/Moderator