

Lake District Meeting
Minutes of January 3, 2007

- 1). Meeting called to order 6:32 p.m.. Ken Messer, Bob Krause, Steve Kessnich and Matt Mulselak present. Joe was absent due to a last minute change in the meeting date.
- 2). In regards to Big Spring project the District met on December 4, 2006 with a group of 12 people all involved with this project, including the DNR lawyer, Dam Safety specialist, River Alliance, Interflue, Adam's LWCD, our engineering firm and our lawyer. This was a 4 ½ hour meeting regarding our concerns. At the end of the meeting, all people involved with the Chapter 30 permit agrees to follow, (16) what on the permit is called "conditions of approval. That was not mentioned prior to our meeting. We are to date still waiting for a type of analysis of sediment transport and deposition during and resulting from the dam removal. Also proof that all moneys needed for this project are secured. So project can be done from start to finish and also a time frame.
- 3). A call was made to Buzz Sorge on 1/10/2007 by Ken Messer regarding a update as to progress on Lake Management plans as of 1/16/2007 no response from Buzz.
- 4). Review of Lawyer – engineering firms bills on the Big Spring Dam project to this point. A motion was made by Steve K to get both bills paid, seconded by Bob Krause- passed.
- 5). There was a question whether Deano had been paid for the fall buoys removal. If not a motion was made by Bob K to pay bill. Seconded by Matt M. – passed.
- 6). Ken presented the numbered sign to be used for property marking during aquatic weed treatment. Matt M. made a motion to approve the sign, it was seconded by Steve K. – passed.
- 7). The board discussed the fact that we will possibly have to pull a short term loan to cover cost's of the Dam Removal project, Ken will discuss this with Joe Streater.
- 8). The district wants to welcome the Chuck Newling family at 171 Golden Drive to Lake Mason and the Briggsville area.
- 9). Motion to adjourn; Matt M, Bob K. second – at 7:45 p.m.

2007. The Board noted that there was no mention of Lake Mason work.

Joe stated he will contact Bob and Bonnie Demmert to see if they are interesting in auditing the District's financial records for 2006. The report must be presented at the Annual Meeting but it can also be presented at an earlier meeting. This is advisable because of the late timing of the Annual Meeting.

Joe asked everyone if they receive *The Lake Connection* and *Lake Tides*. Everyone does receive them.

Ken will call Lake and Pond Solutions to initiate the weed treatment program for 2007.

Ken spoke with Buzz Sorgi to inquire about the status of the Lake Plan which was submitted last year and should have been approved by now. Buzz said that is looked fine but Buzz wanted the plan to include estimates of the costs of chemical treatment of weeds vs. harvesting. There was some discussion as whether these estimates should be part of a plan or whether the purpose of a plan is to state that both methods will be considered. Bob gave Joe the name of Ken Kerski to contact for Montello Lake. (Subsequent to this meeting, Joe called Ken but he has not been involved with their District for quite a few years. Bob will attempt to find out the name of the current treasurer.) Joe will also call Aquarius Systems, manufacturer of harvesting equipment, to obtain cost estimates from them. Joe hopes to contact at least three districts/associations to learn about their costs. Joe was not certain how long information gathering would take, but estimated it will take months.

Most Board members feel there is a lot of things said at meetings with outside organization that are later denied. To ensure better accountability of what is said, and to avoid misunderstandings, Steve moved, Ken seconded and the Board unanimously approved the recording of public meetings where a board member is in attendance.

Ken handed out a recent article about State funding to help clean up Mirror Lake. This article will be distributed to all District members when the last special meeting minutes are distributed.

Ken had previously distributed a letter from the DNR dated Jan 18, 2007 concerning the Big Springs dam project. The letter was discussed at length.

Joe presented the minutes of the January Board meeting. After a minor amendment, Matt moved and Steve seconded a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The unanimously approved the minutes as amended.

The next meeting will be March 1, 2007, 6:30 PM, most likely at the Douglas Town Hall.

With no other business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Lake Mason Management District File

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Preliminary Board Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2007

Ken Messer called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

A roll call of commissioners was taken: Present were Ken Messer, Bob Krause, Steve Kessenich and Joe Streator. Matt Musiedlak and Glenn Licitar arrived a few minutes later.

The meeting started with a presentation by Scott Hewitt from Grothman & Associates. Scott was speaking on behalf of Dan Goth who is planning a condominium development, Lake Mason Beach Retreat Condominium, on the south shore of Lake Mason. The purpose of the presentation was to keep the board District informed of the plans and to answer any questions. There were no significant questions. The presentation lasted until 6:55.

Joe gave the Treasurer's report. In addition to the end of February report, Joe stated that the District charges had been received from the Town of Douglas. Ken requested that Joe check to see if the amount received was the amount expected.

After a motion by Steve Kessenich and a second by Bob Krause the board unanimously approved the payment of the Jan. 31 \$1,638.62 bill from Wheeler Van Sickle.

Joe mentioned there might be an unpaid bill from Montgomery & Associates. As the bill was mailed to Ken, he will locate it.

Joe also mentioned that the printing costs for the recent mailing were reduced by about 1/3. To continue this price Joe requested that the board allow him to establish an account with UPS. If an account is established for printing of 1,000 sides of 8 1/2 X 11 paper the cost is four cents per side. Joe requested the approval to set up the account for 1,600 sides for a total cost of \$64.00 and then to replenish the account each time the balance falls below 1,000 sheets (\$40.00.)

The board unanimously approved Joe's request after a motion by Steve Kessenich and a second by Bob Krause.

Joe submitted an expense report for \$110.72. Payment was unanimously approved after a motion by Steve Kessenich and a second Matt Musiedlak.

As a result of the recent mailing of minutes, refund checks for last year's riparian treatments and a request for an additional payment for the eight riparian treatments made last year, Joe heard from nine residents. Three said they would mail the requested payment and two wanted to know why we did not just apply the refunds to the amount they would owe in 2007. Joe explained this takes a lot of time to properly track and that funds held should then be in a separate checking account as funds for

riparian treatments are NOT District funds. One resident did not feel those who did not receive a treatment should share the permit fee. Joe explained that the permit is filed on behalf of all of those requesting a treatment but the permit does not guaranty that a treatment will take place.

There was a discussion about the costs of weed harvesting. Joe had already presented the results of his meeting about Fowler Lake and Ken presented some numbers for Big Rocke a Cri Lake, Friendship Lake and Tri-Lakes. The board agreed that more work should be done before sending the results to the DNR.

Ken presented the mostly complete permit applications for channel and riparian weed treatments this year. Lake and Pond Solutions will again perform the work. Joe will submit the channel application. After a motion by Steve Kessenich and a second by Bob Krause the board approved payment of the permit fees for channel treatments and for the riparian treatments. Ken will clarify the procedures for completing the form for riparian treatments before that permit is submitted. It is noted that the riparian permit fee is NOT a District expense and that the fee is ultimately paid for by all those requesting a treatment, whether or not they actually receive the treatment.

Ken presented the estimates from Deano Docks for changing the buoys.

There was a short discussion about replacing signs at the three boat launches. After a motion by Matt Musiedlak and a second by Bob Krause the board unanimously approved investigate the cost of new signs.

Ken submitted the buoy change estimates from Deano Dock. After a motion by Bob Krause and a second by Matt Musiedlak the Board unanimously approved hiring Deano Dock to perform the work.

There was a short discussion about the purpose of the winter buoy spikes. There are frequently broken, are not cheap and only serve to mark the spots for the summer buoys. However, ice flows frequently move them so they do not have a lot of value. The matter will be readdressed in fall with the possibility the winter buoy spikes may not be used next winter.

There was a short discussion about marking the stump field. A question was raised whether this action would imply some liability. A motion was made by Steve Kessenich and seconded by Bob Krause to have Ken contact the District's attorney to investigate implied liability. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ken reminded everyone that the DNR promised to take a fish survey this fall.

There was a general discussion about the Big Springs restoration project.

The board unanimously approved the February board minutes after a motion by Bob Krause and a second by Matt Musiedlak.

Glenn Licitar lent the District The Outdoor Recreation plan for Adams County. The plan will be circulated among the board members and returned to Glenn.

There was also a discussion of proper procedures for handling all District related meetings. More work has to be done on this issue to insure all open meeting laws are being followed.

The next meeting was set for April 5, 2007, a 6:30 PM at the Douglas Town Hall. Please let Ken know if you are unable to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Streator
Secretary/Treasurer

Lake Mason Management District

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LAKE MASION MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

March 10, 2007

Special Meeting

9:00 AM

Douglas Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Check for open meeting law compliance
5. Approval of this agenda
6. Approval of September 2, 2006 annual meeting minutes
7. Treasurer's Reports – Year end 2006 and February 28, 2007
8. Unfinished business
 - Big Springs Project update
 - Use of email in district correspondence and website for posting documents
 - Other
9. New Business
 - 2007 Weed treatment program
 - Buoy marking of stump field and other water hazards
 - Ice fishing shanty issues
 - Email from Chris Murphy, Adams County Conservationist
 - Other
 - Items for next special meeting agenda
 - Set next meeting date
10. Adjournment

Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2006

2005	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	162.00	0.00	117.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,324.75	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,693.75 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,753.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,296.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,049.91 Weed Control
Memberships	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,322.00	0.00	0.00	-60.00	20.00	11.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,293.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.00	6.66	376.38	0.00	0.00	-95.08	0.00	99.03	0.00	410.99 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	781.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	98.21	415.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	325.00	0.00	1,619.77 Lake Maintenance
													23,067.42 Total
Total 2005	781.56	162.00	0.00	8,216.50	104.87	791.38	-60.00	12,641.16	5.92	0.00	424.03	0.00	23,067.42 Check of total

2006	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,055.05	5,055.05 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,362.95	0.00	11,750.59	0.00	782.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,665.62 Weed Control
Memberships	225.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	295.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	-183.00	0.00	0.00	1,021.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	838.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	48.93	0.00	147.39	0.00	316.25	0.00	0.00	536.38	39.50	157.02	0.00	0.00	1,245.47 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	149.92	42.07	1,500.00	1,745.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,540.00	5,976.99 Lake Maintenance
													34,076.13 Total
Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,067.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,076.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of December 31, 2006 \$ 5,057.09

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

The check book balance includes funds belonging to district members.

\$4,505.00 was collected from individuals. \$195 was paid for the permit and \$1,237.61 was paid for individual treatments, resulting in refunds due of \$3,072.39

Adjusting for refunds the checking account balance would be	1,984.70
2006 expense paid in January Deano Dock	620.00
2006 expense paid in March Wheeler Van Sickle	1,248.00

Checking account funds available for 2006 expenses 116.70

I believe there is a bill for 2006 work from Montgomery Associates which has not yet been paid. If Montgomery Associates is owed money, it will most certainly exceed the adjusted checkbook/budget balance and therefore there will be no funds remaining from the 2006 budget to contribute to the Lake Mason Preservation Fund.

Bank balance 12/31/06	5,068.00	
Checkbook	5,057.09	
Difference-one uncashed check	10.91	Payee contributed this to the District in March of 2007.

Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2007

2007	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Weed Control
Memberships	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Lake Maintenance
													240.00 Total
Total 2005	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00 Check of total

2006	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,055.05	5,055.05 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,362.95	0.00	11,750.59	0.00	782.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,665.62 Weed Control
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Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,067.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,076.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of February 28, 2007 \$ 1,438.29

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

The checkbook balance no longer includes funds to repay individuals for 2006 weed treatments. Amounts are still due to those who did not receive treatments and will be paid from the funds received from those who received treatments.

Bank balance February 28, 2007 4,208.00
Checkbook 1,438.29
Difference-one uncashed check 2,769.71
from last year plus the uncashed
checks from recently sent refunds.

Since the end of February, the one outstanding refund for 2005 weed treatments has been donated to the district.

There were no funds left over from the 2006 budget to transfer to the Lake Mason Preservation Fund.

Joe,

As requested, please accept this as an update for the activities the Adams Land and Water Conservation Dept. (LWCD) is or has been involved with pertaining to agricultural producers in the Mason Lake Watershed. Please share this with all Mason Lake District Members and other interested parties.

Past Activities

Recruited agricultural producers in watershed to participate in a WDNR grant that provides cost-sharing to address non-point source pollution. Producers who voluntarily chose to participate are Kevin Jensen, Terry Anderson, Jay Hammerly and Elton Ellis. Elton withdrew from participating citing they could not afford their share of the cost-share.

Kevin Jensen installed a barnyard runoff system for the purpose of containing solid animal manure preventing it from entering the south fork of Big Spring Creek and filtering nutrients from stormwater runoff from the confined area that may enter the south fork of Big Spring Creek.

Terry Anderson installed a grass waterway where concentrated flow of water was creating severe gully erosion. The grass waterway is preventing sediments and nutrients from reaching Amey Pond. Terry also installed a sediment basin and grass filter strip located south of his barnyard to collect animal manure being washed away by stormwater runoff. The sediment basin and filter strip prevent nutrients entering into Amey Pond.

Jay Hammerly installed an animal waste storage system located on his farm at the headwaters of the south fork of Big Spring Creek.

The system is designed to contain liquid and solid animal manure until it can be spread properly on agricultural fields. As required by the Adams Animal Waste Storage Ordinance, Jay is implementing a nutrient management plan which designates proper rates and timing for land spreading animal wastes on agricultural fields.

Other past activities associated with other grants include a fence installed along the south fork of Big Spring Creek by Adrian Powell for the purpose of keeping livestock out of the stream and a grass waterway installed within a crop field located at the headwaters of the south fork of Big Spring Creek by Gordon Ginther.

Adams LWCD has also worked with Elton Ellis to redesign a failed fence project that was installed as part of the Neenah Creek Priority Watershed Program. Unfortunately, Elton has refused to cooperate. Adams LWCD has tried several methods other than legal action, to convince Elton to cooperate including contacting relatives and allowing them to talk with Elton about the project.

Current Activities

In 2007, the LWCD will inventory agricultural producers in the Mason Lake Watershed to determine if they are in compliance with the state law, NR151 Agricultural Performance Standards. Each agricultural producers is required to: prevent soil erosion on agricultural lands, maintain proper manure storage facilities, have no direct stormwater runoff from feedlot areas into state waters, prevent streambank degradation due to unlimited livestock access to state waters and implement a nutrient management plan.

If an agricultural producer is determined to be noncompliant with any of the above, Adams County must make an offer to the producer to pay for 70% of the total cost of practice installation. (An example: It is determined a producer needs to install a fence to keep livestock out of a stream due to livestock access preventing vegetative growth on the stream bank and erosion is occurring.

Adams LWCD assists the producer with a design to install the fence properly and determines the total cost is \$1,000.00. Adams County must offer the producer \$700.00 to assist with payment of the fence installation.)

Please keep in mind, the inventory process will be completed by 2007, but getting practices installed quickly may not always occur mainly due to the lack of cost share funds that Adams County has available.

Future Activities

Adams LWCD will work with agricultural producers who are not compliant with NR151 to install practices so they meet NR151 standards.

The Adams LWCD staff intends to recommend to Adams County to pursue legal action against Elton Ellis for failure to meet the requirements of the Neenah Creek Priority Watershed Cost-share Agreement.

Adams LWCD and River Alliance of Wisconsin intend to work together to address stream issues within the Mason Lake Watershed.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 608-339-4269.

I look forward to working with the Mason Lake District as a partner rather than facing the District as an opponent.

Sincerely,

Chris Murphy
Adams County Conservationist

Lake Mason Management District

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LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING March 10, 2007

The special meeting was called to order by Ken Messer at 9:00 AM. Ken welcomed everyone and then opened the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call of board members was taken and all board members were present including Glenn Licitar representing the town of New Haven.

In addition to the board, seven other district members signed in. Normally those attending are not mentioned in the minutes but the board wishes to acknowledge the effort made by those seven: Dan Tomlinson, Roberta Brown, Ron and Jan Luepke, Larry Nagy, Rocco Terranova and Curt Van Schoych.

Ken then checked for open meeting law compliance.

Following that, the agenda for the March 10, 2007 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Ron Luepke and a second by Bob Demmert.

Joe Streator reviewed the minutes of last September's annual meeting and those minutes were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Dan Tomlinson and a second by Roberta Brown. Bob Demmert asked if any of the suggestions made in last year's audit would be implemented. The Board has not addressed those comments, and will at the next board meeting, but certainly some, if not all of the suggestions will be implemented.

Joe Streator went over the financial condition of the district as of December 31, 2006 and as of February 28, 2007. After a motion by Bob Demmert and a second by Rocco Terranova both treasurer reports were unanimously approved. Both treasurer's reports are attached. Subject to one possible bill outstanding, there will be no funds left over from the 2006 budget to contribute to the Lake Mason Preservation Fund.

Unfinished Business

Joe stated that he has 30 email addresses to use for district communications. That leaves about 140 individual mailings for any district correspondence. **If you have an email address and you don't receive district correspondence via**

email, please send your email address to Joe at jstreator@gmail.com
(maybe even before reading any further here?)

Ken Messer gave a very nice update on all the work that has been done by your board on the Big Springs Restoration/Dam project. Attached are the notes Ken used as a basis for his presentation. Also attached are a few newspaper articles on the subject and correspondence received from the District's attorney including an environmental analysis of the project. Please study the information and let any board member know your comments.

New Business

Joe went over the weed treatment plans for 2007. The cover letter to this mailing contains all the relevant information. Please be sure to mail your check to ensure the district receives your check before April 30, 2007.

Permits for both the channel treatment and riparian/individual treatments have been submitted.

There was a small discussion about the possibility of marking the stump field with buoys. Some felt that signs warning of stumps are sufficient. Nothing was decided.

One member had previously asked what the district could do to advise fishermen using shanties for ice fishing of the danger of their shanties sinking into the lake. There was a small discussion but everyone agreed the District should not be involving itself with providing guidance to fisherman on how to take care of themselves or their property.

There is an email attached describing the work that Adams County Land and Water Conservation Department has done pertaining to agricultural producers. Let your board know if you have any comments.

A recent issue of Lake Tides mentioned there are state funds available to help farmers reduce run off. Everyone should be receiving a copy of Lake Tides. If you are not, please advise Joe Streater and he will contact the publisher to add your name to the mailing list.

Kurt Van Schoych mentioned his concern about the damages caused by muskrats. There were at least 21 trapped on the first day of the season. Joe had previously contacted Adams County at Kurt's request and the muskrat issue should be included in the overall Lake Plan.

Bob Demmert inquired about the possibility of at least a small drawdown next winter to ease shoreline erosion. Ken is working on the permit process.

Agenda items for the next meeting: Big Springs Project Update, The value of having winter buoys, the Lake's Muskrat problem. **If you want anything else addressed at the next special meeting, please let any board member know (but preferably Joe Streater, secretary) before May 3, 2007.**

Not mentioned at the meeting, but included here is a handout from Glenn Licitar entitled: Fact Sheet for Citizen Lake Monitoring—Aquatic Invasive Species and Citizen Lake Monitoring Adams County Land & Water Conservation Department

Next Meeting: May 26, 2007, 9:00 AM, Douglas Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Streator
Secretary/Treasurer

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Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	331.72	772.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,104.61 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00 Lake Maintenance
													13,407.18 Total
Total 2007	240.00	0.00	2,740.34	10,426.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,407.18 Check of total

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Checkbook balance as of April 30, 2007 \$ 27,716.28

Bank balance as of April 30, 2007 \$ 27,971.98

Difference 255.70

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

One 2006 refund check at \$62.70 each plus riparian DNR permit fee check for \$195.00 remain outstanding.

April 12, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes

Ken called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM on April 12.

Board members present: Steve Kessenich, Ken Messer, Matt Musieldlak and Joe Streater.

Due to a room usage at the Douglas Town Hall the meeting was switched to the home of Steve Kessenich at about 6:35 PM.

Glenn Licitar represented New Haven Township, no one represented Douglas Township.

Also present was Mike Juleson, Chairman New Haven Township

Ken gave Mike a copy of his Big Springs Project report that he presented at the recent special meeting. Ken and Steve emphasized that the District wants to ensure the entire project is irrevocably funded. The District is waiting for evidence from the DNR that the funding is in place and is also waiting for a promised sediment study from the DNR. Mike Kane, a DNR attorney, has expressed his frustration at the inability of DNR staff to produce the necessary documentation.

Mike was also advised of many contradictions that have surfaced during the planning stages of this project. At a meeting last year at Boondocks the DNR stated their was no value to the dirt that would be removed. In a recent report, the dirt had a value of \$177,000.00.

The DNR claims the sediment will be disbursed throughout Lake Mason. All board members highly doubt this as the belief is most of the sediment will be concentrated at the west end of the lake.

Mike also mentioned a past study that showed there was not enough food in the stream to support much of a trout population.

Glenn mentioned that the Big Springs Project is in the hands of a federal judge. Ken will contact Bill O'Connor about this as this is not the board's understanding of how the project should be proceeding.

Ken asked Joe for a treasurer's report:

The bank balance as of March 31 was \$35,398.96 and the checkbook balance was \$35,013.86. There were four outstanding checks causing most of the various and a \$2.00 difference in a check amount. The dollar amount of check was \$62.70 but the word amount was \$2.00 less and the check was processed for \$60.70. The payee was sent a check for the additional \$2.00

After the treasurer's report Ken asked Joe for a report on bills paid and to be paid. Joe stated he made the down payment for \$7,727.71 to Lake and Pond Solutions for this year's weed treatment.

Joe also paid \$530.58 for printing and postage for the special meeting minutes. Before these payments were made Joe advised the other board members by email of his intention to pay them unless they objected.

The District also received a bill from Wheeler Van Sickle for legal work in the amount of \$686.24.

Ken presented a bill from Montgomery Associates for \$1,240.00 for their work on the Big Springs Project.

Lastly, Joe presented an expense reimbursement request for \$242.21. After a motion by Steve and a second from Matt, the board unanimously the payment of the invoices already paid an addition to the new bills.

Ken asked Bob to get an estimate for redoing the printing on the signs at the boat landing. The cost is 85.00.

The plan is to put the handicapped and other pier in the weekend of the 20th and 21st of April.

Deano Dock plans to put the channel buoys in the last weekend in April. They requested that we let everyone know that they will be at the lake that weekend so that will be the preferred time to put lifts etc. in for everyone. We agreed with this request as long as they reimburse the District for postage. (Joe called Deano Friday morning, April 13 and left a message.) The fee for putting in lifts is \$75.00 this year, up from \$50.00 last year.

Ken and Glenn had brochures about an Adams County Lake Conference on May 12, 2007. Joe will send this to everyone.

The board then discussed the recommendations from last year's audit. Joe had sent the board his comments by email. The board felt at this time that Joe's comments were appropriate. After a motion by Ken and a second by Matt the board unanimously approved Joe's implementing the changes his comments recommended while not implementing suggestions that copies be made of all checks the district receives and that the district use checks with carbon copies.

As Joe's comments were approved they will be rewritten as 'final' and presented at the next special meeting.

In response to an email that Joe received from district resident Andrew Wroble, Ken asked that Joe have Andrew call Ken and he will explain the Big Springs Project to Andrew.

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

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Board Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2007

Ken Messer called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

A roll call of commissioners was taken: Present were Ken Messer, Bob Krause, Steve Kessenich, Matt Musieldlak, Joe Streater, and Glenn Licitar, Adams County Representative.

The meeting began with a discussion about the Big Springs project. One thing to be considered was whether the district and town work together to buy the land and then work with the DNR to restore the area the way most people prefer. Bob mentioned that Chris Murphy made statements a couple of times that he is working for Knudsen and no one else. Of course he denied it later but his statement was heard by Bob, Rosemary, Carlson, Mark, and most everyone else at the meeting. Bob mentioned there is as much money available to fix the dam than there is to remove it. The new Westfield dam is an example of what could be done. Glenn also mentioned that grants are available. Bob suggested someone go to the next town meeting, May 10, to see if they are interested in purchasing the land. Further discussion seemed to indicate the June 14 town meeting would be the one to attend. Ken asked everyone to let him know if they can attend a meeting May 11 at 3:30 in Madison.

Ken mentioned that Sandy and Paul Becker said they did not yet receive their refund from last year's treatment. Joe will check. (Investigation showed they were skipped so Joe sent them the check.)

Joe presented minutes from the April board meeting. Some changes had to be made because Joe overlooked deleting portions of the document he was working with. There were no changes to the business transacted. The minutes were approved, as amended, after a motion by Matt and a second by Bob.

Joe presented invoices for \$123.96 covering the last mailing. He also bought a recorder battery for \$4.99. Joe had already paid the invoice for \$123.96 after email advice to those board members who use email. These invoice payments were approved after a motion by Matt and a second by Steve.

Joe gave the treasurer's report as of the end of April. The only items causing differences were a couple of outstanding checks, otherwise the bank statement and the checkbook balanced.

Ken mentioned that he was out checking weed growth with Deb Konkell of the DNR for the purpose of determining whether riparian treatments. So far there is not sufficient weed growth.

Ken mentioned the DNR said this year that if there were riparian treatments, the permit fee would be adjusted to reflect the actual areas treated rather than the planned areas. This is a big change from the past where the fee was based on what was planned.

The next meeting was set for June 7, 2007, a 6:30 PM at the Douglas Town Hall. Please let Ken know if you are unable to attend.

The location for the May special meeting will be the Adams Township town hall. The agenda for the special meeting was set and will be mailed to district members.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,



Joe Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Lake Mason Management District

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LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING May 26, 2007

The special meeting was called to order by Ken Messer at 9:07 AM. Ken welcomed everyone and then opened the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call of board members was taken and all board members were present including Glenn Licitar representing Adams County.

In addition to the board, twenty one other district members signed in.

Ken then checked for open meeting law compliance.

Following that, the agenda for the May 26, 2007 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Matt Musiedlak and a second by Steve Kessenich .

Joe Streator reviewed the minutes of the March 10, 2007 special meeting and those minutes were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Ron Luepke and a second by Steve Kessenich.

Joe Streator gave the treasurer's report as of April 30, 2007. It is attached. After a motion by Dan Tomlinson and a second by Sally Danke the April 30, 2007 treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business

Big Springs Dam Project

Ken read a letter dated May 24, 2007 from Scott Watson, Watershed Supervisor, Central Wisconsin River Basin. The letter is attached. There was a motion by Bob Krause and a second by Ron Luepke to sign this letter. The motion was unanimously approved. Roger Lee asked if the project would start this year and Ken said that is what he expects. Ken cautioned that the DNR has never said the project is fully funded.

Seagulls

As many people know there are seagull problems at various places on the lake. Some people thought imitation owls keep seagulls away, others said that does not always work. So much for any fool proof way to keep your pier or dock clean.

Email Addresses

Although Joe skipped his usual appeal for email addresses it is presented here. If you have an email address and you don't receive district correspondence via email, please send your email address to Joe at jstreator@gmail.com (maybe even before

reading any further here?). Slowly but surely communications will be more efficient for more people.

New Business

The channels have been treated. The DNR visited on Monday May 21 and reported that the Eurasian milfoil is beginning to die. There is not sufficient growth to warrant individual treatments. Treatments seem to work best when invasive specials have six to ten inches of growth. (A few individual treatments were approved during the last DNR visit about two weeks ago, this note is written June 25, 2007, but the cost for so few treatments is too high, mostly because of the travel time involved for the company doing the applications. Most likely there will not be any individual treatments this year.)

One person inquired about obtaining a permit to allow him to treat the weeds in front of his place. Steve Kessenich said he would assist him.

Sally Danke is organizing the July 4th parade this year. Everyone agreed it will be on Sunday July 1 beginning at 12:12 PM, that's right 12:12 PM. Please meet at the Lions Club boat landing. Call Sally at 262-968-2096 if you have any suggestions or questions.

Bob Krause introduced a new district resident Charles (Charlie) Newling. Charlie is a nationally recognized wetlands biologist in the U.S.

Other

The Town of Douglas has applied for a drawdown permit this fall for ten inches. Some people felt the permit has been turned down and Ken Messer will follow up on the matter.

Agenda items for the annual meeting: A sewer system for lake property owners and others in the area? Board member elections. 2008 budget.

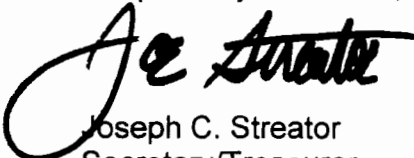
Bob Garske, representing R.A.F.T asked the board and others keep in mind those people/groups who have recently installed a new septic system.

If you want anything else addressed at the next special meeting, please let any board member know (but preferably Joe Streater, secretary) before August 2, 2007.

Annual Meeting: September 1, 2007, 9:00 AM, New Haven Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 AM.

Respectfully submitted,


Joseph C. Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2007

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Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,727.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,497.71 Weed Control
Memberships	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	331.72	772.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,104.61 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00 Lake Maintenance
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Total 2007	240.00	0.00	2,740.34	10,426.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,407.18 Check of total
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Supplies etc.	48.93	0.00	121.39	0.00	316.25	0.00	0.00	536.38	39.50	157.02	0.00	0.00	1,219.47 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	149.92	42.07	1,500.00	1,745.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,540.00	5,976.99 Lake Maintenance
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Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,041.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,050.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of April 30, 2007 \$ 27,716.28

Bank balance as of April 30, 2007 \$ 27,971.98

Difference 255.70

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

One 2006 refund check for \$62.70 plus riparian DNR permit fee check for \$195.00 remain outstanding.

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LAKE MASION MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

May 26, 2007

Special Meeting

9:00 AM

NEW HAVEN Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Check for open meeting law compliance
5. Approval of this agenda
6. Approval of March 10, 2007 special meeting minutes
7. Treasurer's Reports – April 30, 2007
8. Unfinished business
 - Big Springs project update including future costs
 - Seagulls
 - Other
9. New Business
 - 2007 Weed treatment program
 - Channels treated; individual treatments still to come
 - July 4th parade coordinated by Sally Danke
 - Other
 - Items for next special meeting agenda
 - Set next meeting date
10. Adjournment

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May 16, 2007

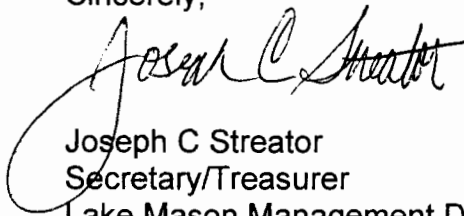
Dear lake district member:

On the reverse side is the agenda for the special meeting May 26, 2007.
PLEASE NOTE THE MEETING IS AT THE NEW HAVEN TOWN HALL.

The agenda should have been sent out two weeks before the special meeting, however some board members attending a meeting in Madison on May 18th and, since there was a chance that a handout would be made at that meeting which should be sent to everyone as soon as possible, the board felt a delay in sending out the agenda was appropriate.

If you paid for an individual weed treatment last year, and did not receive one, your final refund check is enclosed with this letter. As mentioned in an earlier letter, the goal this year is to have refunds in your hands within 30 days of when we receive the final invoice for individual treatments.

Sincerely,



Joseph C Streator
Secretary/Treasurer
Lake Mason Management District

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LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING March 10, 2007

The special meeting was called to order by Ken Messer at 9:00 AM. Ken welcomed everyone and then opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call of board members was taken and all board members were present including Glenn Licitar representing the town of New Haven.

In addition to the board, seven other district members signed in. Normally those attending are not mentioned in the minutes but the board wishes to acknowledge the effort made by those seven: Dan Tomlinson, Roberta Brown, Ron and Jan Luepke, Larry Nagy, Rocco Terranova and Curt Van Schoych.

Ken then checked for open meeting law compliance.

Following that, the agenda for the March 10, 2007 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Ron Luepke and a second by Bob Demmert.

Joe Streator reviewed the minutes of last September's annual meeting and those minutes were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Dan Tomlinson and a second by Roberta Brown. Bob Demmert asked if any of the suggestions made in last year's audit would be implemented. The Board has not addressed those comments, and will at the next board meeting, but certainly some, if not all of the suggestions will be implemented.

Joe Streator went over the financial condition of the district as of December 31, 2006 and as of February 28, 2007. After a motion by Bob Demmert and a second by Rocco Terranova both treasurer reports were unanimously approved. Both treasurer's reports are attached. Subject to one possible bill outstanding, there will be no funds left over from the 2006 budget to contribute to the Lake Mason Preservation Fund.

Unfinished Business

Joe stated that he has 30 email addresses to use for district communications. That leaves about 140 individual mailings for any district correspondence. **If you have an email address and you don't receive district correspondence via**

email, please send your email address to Joe at jstreator@gmail.com
(maybe even before reading any further here?)

Ken Messer gave a very nice update on all the work that has been done by your board on the Big Springs Restoration/Dam project. Attached are the notes Ken used as a basis for his presentation. Also attached are a few newspaper articles on the subject and correspondence received from the District's attorney including an environmental analysis of the project. Please study the information and let any board member know your comments.

New Business

Joe went over the weed treatment plans for 2007. The cover letter to this mailing contains all the relevant information. Please be sure to mail your check to ensure the district receives your check before April 30, 2007.

Permits for both the channel treatment and riparian/individual treatments have been submitted.

There was a small discussion about the possibility of marking the stump field with buoys. Some felt that signs warning of stumps are sufficient. Nothing was decided.

One member had previously asked what the district could do to advise fishermen using shanties for ice fishing of the danger of their shanties sinking into the lake. There was a small discussion but everyone agreed the District should not be involving itself with providing guidance to fisherman on how to take care of themselves or their property.

There is an email attached describing the work that Adams County Land and Water Conservation Department has done pertaining to agricultural producers. Let your board know if you have any comments.

A recent issue of Lake Tides mentioned there are state funds available to help farmers reduce run off. Everyone should be receiving a copy of Lake Tides. If you are not, please advise Joe Streater and he will contact the publisher to add your name to the mailing list.

Kurt Van Schoych mentioned his concern about the damages caused by muskrats. There were at least 21 trapped on the first day of the season. Joe had previously contacted Adams County at Kurt's request and the muskrat issue should be included in the overall Lake Plan.

Bob Demmert inquired about the possibility of at least a small drawdown next winter to ease shoreline erosion. Ken is working on the permit process.

Agenda items for the next meeting: Big Springs Project Update, The value of having winter buoys, the Lake's Muskrat problem. **If you want anything else addressed at the next special meeting, please let any board member know (but preferably Joe Streater, secretary) before May 3, 2007.**

Not mentioned at the meeting, but included here is a handout from Glenn Licitar entitled: Fact Sheet for Citizen Lake Monitoring—Aquatic Invasive Species and Citizen Lake Monitoring Adams County Land & Water Conservation Department

Next Meeting: May 26, 2007, 9:00 AM, Douglas Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Streator
Secretary/Treasurer

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Board Meeting Minutes

July 5, 2007

Ken Messer called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

A roll call of commissioners was taken: Present were Ken Messer, Steve Kessenich, Matt Musieldlak and Joe Streator. Glenn Licitar, Adams County Representative, arrived just after the roll call.

The meeting began with about a seventy-five minute conceptual presentation on a sewer system, requiring a sanitary district, by General Engineering Company. General Engineering was represented by Jerry Foellmi and Bob Rath. This is probably a 5-10 year project. It is not uncommon in the formation of a sanitary district to assess each single family unit equivalent \$2,000.00-\$5,000.00 to kick start the project and then have payments of \$60.00 per month for twenty years to pay for usage and the repayment of any borrowings.

After the presentation Joe questioned whether Lake Mason Management District Board time and Lake Mason Management District funds can be spent on a sanitary district. Page 90 of the People of the Lakes publication states that any non-resident property owners do not enjoy voting privileges in a sanitary district. Since the Lake Mason Management District Board was elected to represent all of its members, Joe does not believe the board should be involved in the formation of a sanitary district because possibly 25% of Lake Mason Management District will not have voting privileges in a sanitary district. Therefore the board is not representing 25% of its members if it is spending time and money on a sanitary district. Ken will follow up on this issue by checking with resources listed in People of the Lakes.

Ken presented a bill from Montgomery and Associates for \$530.00. Joe presented a bill from Wheeler, Van Sickle & Andersen for \$1,900.19. Joe mentioned he will pay the copying bill as soon as it is received as term call for the bill to be paid by the 15th of each month. After a motion by Matt and a second by Steve, the board unanimously approved payment of the three invoices.

Ken mentioned that two weeks ago Deb Konkel was at the lake for a riparian weed inspection. There were very few spots of Eurasian milfoil, some northern milfoil which is a 'good' or native weed and curly-leaf pond weed which is invasive. However curly leaf pond weed dies off right about now so there is no need to treat it. Even if more Eurasian milfoil is found later this month, it is very unlikely that it will be cost effective to have any individual treatments.

Deb commented how good the weed situation has been the last two years. The board wondered if this is directly related to skipping the big drawdowns in the winter.

Ken asked that everyone review the proposed Lake Management Plan and get back to him within a week. Approval is expected after Ken passes on the comments to the DNR.

Joe presented the treasurer's reports for May 31 and June 30, 2007. The checkbook balance as of the end of June was \$13,216.69. After a motion by Matt and a second by Steve the treasurer's reports were unanimously accepted.

Joe brought the checkbook along for everyone to review along with the most recent bank statement he had...May. No one reviewed them. Joe also mentioned that the board is welcome to add a control and compare the checks paid each month to the approvals given at board meetings.

Ken asked Joe if Deb had returned the riparian permit fee check to him and she had not. Ken said he would check at home to see if he has the check.

Joe then presented the minutes from the last board meeting, May 3, 2007.

Glenn mentioned that Adams County is considering making changes in Land Disturbance Permit requiring a permit for anything 1,000 square feet or larger.

Ken asked Joe to contact Bob and Bonnie Demmert to schedule the audit at a time convenient for them.

Joe mentioned he received an email from Sally Danke who wants to bring back the bratfest. After a short discussion, Sally was given a \$300.00 budget after a motion by Steve, a second by Joe and a unanimous approval.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2007 at 6:30 PM at the New Haven Town Hall.

After a motion by Matt and a second by Steve the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Lake Mason Management District

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August 16, 2007

Dear fellow Lake Mason resident:

The District's annual meeting will be September 1, 2007 at 9:00 AM at the New Haven Town Hall.

A current treasurer's report and a proposed budget are attached.

The agenda for the annual meeting is as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Welcome
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of special meeting minutes May 26, 2007
5. Treasurer's report
6. Unfinished business
 - Big Springs Project
 - 2007 Weed treatments
 - Other
7. New business
 - Audit report covering 2006
 - Discussion and approval of 2008 budget
 - Nomination and election of two commissioners

If you want something considered to be added to the agenda, please call me at 262-391-8276 or send an email to me at jstreator@gmail.com before August 28.

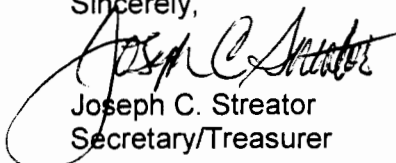
After the meeting there will be a picnic at the baseball field in Briggsville. A big thank you goes out to Sally Danke and Phyllis Buchholz, with assistance from Bob Krause, for spearheading this fine effort to build community spirit. The charge is \$5.00 per adult.

I have reviewed my database of mailing addresses. Was this mailing addressed perfectly? Please let me know by email or letter if there is something wrong with your mailing.

The district is required to attempt to contact all eligible voters in the district. In addition to property owners, this includes other people, at least 18 years of age, who live within the district's boundaries. If you know anyone who fits this description, please contact me so that I may give them this information. You may give them a copy of this too, but please let me know. This is the district's attempt to contact those people.

Looking forward to seeing you at the annual meeting. Please bring a neighbor.

Sincerely,



Joseph C. Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2007

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Memberships	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	331.72	772.89	210.41	40.49	33.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,389.19 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00	2,608.46	0.00	530.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,378.46 Lake Maintenance
													32,102.46 Total
Total 2007	240.00	0.00	2,740.34	10,426.84	2,818.87	13,322.54	2,553.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,102.46 Check of total

2006	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,055.05	5,055.05 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,362.95	0.00	11,750.59	0.00	782.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,665.62 Weed Control
Memberships	225.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	295.00 Memberships
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Supplies etc.	48.93	0.00	121.39	0.00	316.25	0.00	0.00	536.38	39.50	157.02	0.00	0.00	1,219.47 Supplies etc.
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Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,041.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,050.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of July 31, 2007 \$ 10,752.82

Bank balance as of July 31, 2007 \$ 11,010.54
-195.00 DNR riparion permit fee check
-24.96 Messser expense check
-37.76 Two riparion refund checks (Messer and Flannery)

Adjusted bank balance 10,752.82

Difference after adjustments ZERO

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BRIGGSVILLE, WISCONSIN

2008 Recommended Budget as of Board Meeting August 2, 2007 and mailed to members

REVENUES

Category	2007 budget	Jan-Jul 31 2007 Actual	2008 Proposed	Per Cent Change 2008 vs. 2007 Budget
a) Special Assessments or charges				
Special Charges*	\$35,003.00	\$36,500.00	\$36,500.00	4.28
b) Other financing sources				
Line of Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Revenues	35,003.00	36,500.00	36,500.00	4.28
Cash Balance Applied	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Revenues & Cash Balance Applied	\$35,003.00	\$36,500.00	\$36,500.00	4.28

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\$100.00 for each tax parcel, plus the following amounts for each tax parcel:

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\$25.00 for each campsite, within a tax parcel, which is occupied by a camping unit for more than 30 days annually. A "camping unit" means a structure originally constructed to be transported by public roads and designed or used for sleeping, eating or living quarters that includes less than 400 square feet of living space.

EXPENDITURES

Category	2007 budget	Jan-Jul 31 2007 Actual	2008 Proposed	Per Cent Change 2008 vs. 2007 Budget
COSTS OF OPERATION				
a) General Government				
Aquatic Plant Treatments	\$21,675.00	\$20,338.65	\$21,355.58	-1.47
Lake Management	2,789.00	4,378.46	2,789.00	0.00
Insurance	1,311.00	0.00	1,045.00	-20.29
Legal	3,000.00	5,756.16	3,000.00	0.00
Other (Administrative)**	2,400.00	1,389.19	2,400.00	0.00
Lake Mason Protection Fund	\$3,828.00	0.00	\$5,910.42	54.40
b) Debt servicing (principal and interest)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
c) Other financing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditures	\$35,003.00	\$31,862.46	\$36,500.00 \$9,234.00	4.28

Aquatic Plant Treatments for 2008 allows for a 5% price increase.

Insurance The 2007 bill was not received until August.

Legal 2007 actual includes expenses for the Big Springs Project, 2008 does not include any similar extraordinary expense.

Administrative 2008 proposed was left the same as this year's budget. Although we do not anticipate spending the amount in the 2007 budget, we do anticipate spending more in 2008 as a resulting of the new Lake Management Plan. The Plan was not implemented in 2007 as expected.

Administrative includes such things as postage, office supplies, copies, publishing meeting notices, corporation renewal fee, memberships, bank charges, check printing, PO box rental and anything else not clearly identifiable with another classification.

Lake Mason Protection Fund proposed represents the difference between planned total income and planned expenses in the above five categories.

FUND BALANCE Governmental Fund

Fund Balance 1/1/2008	Total Revenues	Total Expenditures	Fund Balance 12/31/2008	Property Tax Contribution
\$0.00	\$36,500.00	\$36,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Lake Mason Management District

PO Box 91
Briggsville, WI 53920-0091

September 1, 2007

Annual Meeting

9:00 AM

New Haven Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Check for open meeting law compliance
5. Approval of this agenda
6. Approval of Special Meeting May 26, 2007 minutes
7. Audit report for 2006
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Unfinished business
 - Big Springs project
 - 2007 Weed treatment
 - Other
10. New business
 - Discussion of 2008 budget and subsequent vote on the budget
 - Nomination and election of two commissioners
 - Other
 - Set next special meeting date
11. Adjournment

Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2007 (Bank information for August 31 is as of 6:00 PM. Checks may be posted to account until 11:59 PM)

2007	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	1,638.62	686.24	0.00	1,441.11	1,900.19	1,415.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,081.75 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,727.71	0.00	11,840.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,338.65 Weed Control
Memberships	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	331.72	772.89	194.66	25.92	33.68	338.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,697.44 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00	2,608.52	14.57	530.00	113.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,506.37 Lake Maintenance
													33,864.21 Total
Total 2007	240.00	0.00	2,740.34	10,426.84	2,803.18	13,322.54	2,463.87	1,867.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,864.21 Check of total

2006	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,055.05	5,055.05 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,362.95	0.00	11,750.59	0.00	782.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,665.62 Weed Control
Memberships	225.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	305.00 Memberships
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													34,060.13 Total
Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,041.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,328.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,060.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of August 31, 2007 \$ 3,930.38

Adjusted checkbook balance 3,930.38

Bank balance as of August 31, 2007 \$ 5,928.59

-24.96 Messser expense check
-37.76 Two riparian refund checks (Messer and Flannery) for 2006 riparian treatments.
-105.49 Krause for bratfest expenses
-1,830.00 2007 riparian refunds

Adjusted bank balance 3,930.38

Difference after adjustments 0.00

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

OUTSTANDING BILLS 1,045.00 Insurance

169.00 Legal

Balance after these bills 2,716.38

Lake Mason Management District

PO Box 91
Briggsville, WI 53920-0091

LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING May 26, 2007

The special meeting was called to order by Ken Messer at 9:07 AM. Ken welcomed everyone and then opened the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call of board members was taken and all board members were present including Glenn Licitar representing Adams County.

In addition to the board, twenty one other district members signed in.

Ken then checked for open meeting law compliance.

Following that, the agenda for the May 26, 2007 meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Matt Musiedlak and a second by Steve Kessenich .

Joe Streater reviewed the minutes of the March 10, 2007 special meeting and those minutes were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Ron Luepke and a second by Steve Kessenich.

Joe Streater gave the treasurer's report as of April 30, 2007. It is attached. After a motion by Dan Tomlinson and a second by Sally Danke the April 30, 2007 treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business

Big Springs Dam Project

Ken read a letter dated May 24, 2007 from Scott Watson, Watershed Supervisor, Central Wisconsin River Basin. The letter is attached. There was a motion by Bob Krause and a second by Ron Luepke to sign this letter. The motion was unanimously approved. Roger Lee asked if the project would start this year and Ken said that is what he expects. Ken cautioned that the DNR has never said the project is fully funded.

Seagulls

As many people know there are seagull problems at various places on the lake. Some people thought imitation owls keep seagulls away, others said that does not always work. So much for any fool proof way to keep your pier or dock clean.

Email Addresses

Although Joe skipped his usual appeal for email addresses it is presented here. If you have an email address and you don't receive district correspondence via email, please send your email address to Joe at jstreator@gmail.com (maybe even before

reading any further here?). Slowly but surely communications will be more efficient for more people.

New Business

The channels have been treated. The DNR visited on Monday May 21 and reported that the Eurasian milfoil is beginning to die. There is not sufficient growth to warrant individual treatments. Treatments seem to work best when invasive specials have six to ten inches of growth. (A few individual treatments were approved during the last DNR visit about two weeks ago, this note is written June 25, 2007, but the cost for so few treatments is too high, mostly because of the travel time involved for the company doing the applications. Most likely there will not be any individual treatments this year.)

One person inquired about obtaining a permit to allow him to treat the weeds in front of his place. Steve Kessenich said he would assist him.

Sally Danke is organizing the July 4th parade this year. Everyone agreed it will be on Sunday July 1 beginning at 12:12 PM, that's right 12:12 PM. Please meet at the Lions Club boat landing. Call Sally at 262-968-2096 if you have any suggestions or questions.

Bob Krause introduced a new district resident Charles (Charlie) Newling. Charlie is a nationally recognized wetlands biologist in the U.S.

Other

The Town of Douglas has applied for a drawdown permit this fall for ten inches. Some people felt the permit has been turned down and Ken Messer will follow up on the matter.

Agenda items for the annual meeting: A sewer system for lake property owners and others in the area? Board member elections. 2008 budget.

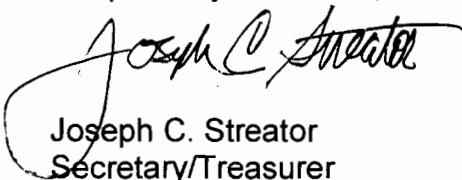
Bob Garske, representing R.A.F.T asked the board and othesr keep in mind those people/groups who have recently installed a new septic system.

If you want anything else addressed at the next special meeting, please let any board member know (but preferably Joe Streator, secretary) before August 2, 2007.

Annual Meeting: September 1, 2007, 9:00 AM, New Haven Town Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph C. Streator
Secretary/Treasurer

Lake Mason Management District

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Insurance	1,311.00	0.00	1,045.00	-20.29
Legal	3,000.00	5,756.16	3,000.00	0.00
Other (Administrative)**	2,400.00	1,389.19	2,400.00	0.00
Lake Mason Protection Fund	\$3,828.00	0.00	\$5,910.42	54.40
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\$0.00	\$36,500.00	\$36,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Lake Mason Management District

PO Box 91
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Dear Lake Mason Management District Member,

Attached to this are the minutes of the Labor Day weekend annual meeting.

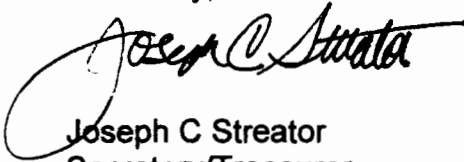
Your board met on October 4, 2007. At that meeting it was brought up that the chairman did not ask for seconds of the nomination motions at the annual meeting; therefore the nominations were not valid and the election results voided. As the three year terms of two board members expired at the time of the annual meeting, the district board will consist of the three board members whose terms did not expire at the most recent annual meeting: Ken Messer, Bob Krause and Joe Streater. There will be new elections at the next special meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Ken, Bob or Joe.

In addition to the annual meeting minutes, the treasure's report as of year-end 2007 is attached.

Occasionally some district members ask what can be done about the geese problem. Attached is an article describing how another district is addressing this issue.

Sincerely,



Joseph C Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2007

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Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,041.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,050.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of December 31, 2007 \$ 1,987.88

Adjusted checkbook balance 1,987.88

Bank balance as of December 31, 2007 \$ 2,453.84

-255 Four 2007 riparian refund checks

-2.58 Expense check

-208.38 Wheeler Van Sickle

Adjusted bank balance 1,987.88

Difference after adjustments 0.00

CD amount \$ 15,130.41

Upon receipt of 2008 special charges, \$1,987.88 will be set aside in the Lake Mason Preservation Fund through the purchase of another CD

Lac La Belle ¹¹⁻¹⁻⁰⁷ sets sights on geese control

Officials will seek advice from other communities

By **JEFF RUMAGE**
Enterprise Staff

OCONOMOWOC - How long until the goose is cooked?

The Lac La Belle Management District is putting its foot down on the geese population surrounding the lake. Lake Country is no stranger to geese, and neighboring communities may save commissioners from reinventing the wheel with case studies and research.

District commissioners are seeking advice from the Okauchee Lake Management District, which has cleared about 115 geese from that community. Lac La Belle officials are especially interested in

talking to a representative who can share his or her case study research and goose control solutions.

Lac La Belle Management District Chairman Paul Carpenter even mentioned a collaborative goose control effort with neighboring communities. Carpenter said more participation should yield a higher capture rate.

"Part of our discussion is to get more educated on it than we are at this point," Carpenter said.

Elm Grove is another example of a community that has fought the geese problem and won.

Geese feces once covered Elm Grove sports fields and polluted its lakes until the village undertook egg depredation, or oiling eggs to prevent them from hatching. Wildlife management workers leave the sterile eggs in the nest, so their parents believe they are going to hatch. Once the mother leaves the nest, the wildlife management crew removes the

nest to prevent more eggs from being laid.

The wildlife management program also euthanizes adult geese. A controversy ignited over the euthanization method but quickly died down after wildlife crews explained that they use a humane method of execution.

Elm Grove still faces a challenge as geese come through the area during their migratory season.

Wildlife management crews shoot loud "blanks" into the air to scare them out of the area. Geese are attracted to bodies of water, so Elm Grove grows long plants by the water's edge to discourage them from staying.

Carpenter said other communities are trying experimental solutions, such as watching migratory paths and tagging geese to see how many return the following year.

(Jeff Rumage can be reached at jrumage@conley.net.)

Lake Mason Management District

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LAKE MASON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING September 1, 2007

The annual meeting was called to order by Ken Messer at 9:10 AM. Ken welcomed everyone and then opened the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call of board members was taken and all board members were present including Glenn Licitar representing Adams County.

Ken then checked for open meeting law compliance.

The agenda for the 2007 annual meeting was unanimously approved after a motion by Ron Luepke and a second by Phyllis Buchholz.

Joe Streater reviewed the minutes of the May 26, 2007 special meeting and those minutes were unanimously approved as written after a motion by Marty Koelper and a second by Wayne Lueneburg.

Peggy and Dan Tomlinson audited the district's financial records as of December 31, 2006. Peggy presented the results. They found that the bank statements were reconciled in a timely manner. They recommended better documentation on transactions. Their report is attached. Joe added that he attends the audit only to answer questions. Ideally documentation would be thorough enough so that the treasurer's attendance is not needed during the audit. The audit report was unanimously approved after a motion by Dick Kumlien and a second by Ron Luepke

Joe Streater gave the treasurer's report as of 3:30 PM August 31, 2007. It is attached. Peggy Tomlinson asked about the amount of legal fees. Those fees were mostly for the Big Springs project. Joe mentioned that the reasons he uses this format for the treasurer's report is to be consistent with the budget categories. Peggy Tomlinson asked why the district was absorbing all the legal and engineering fees and why the townships have not been helping out. Ken responded that the district did not want to get involved with them, they have other issues such as with the roads. Our concern, among others, is with the sediment load, which affects the lake and the residents on the lake. Ken added that if the township had approached the district we could have considered a joint venture. According to the district's lawyer, there is only so much we can do. We held them back and they agreed to comply with a few of our requests. Joe added that the district spent about \$20,000.00 of a \$30,000.00 (actually \$35,000.00) budget to protect the land values of the two counties/townships. Ken mentioned that we could go back to the townships to ask them to share in our past expenditures. Peggy Tomlinson stated that this is a good time to do that since next year's budgets are being worked on. A motion to approach the townships to share in the costs incurred was made by Peggy Tomlinson and seconded by Ron Luepke. The motion was approved unanimously.

Sue Kumlien asked whether we have checked with other districts to see if they hire public accounting firms to review the district's financial records. Ken stated we have not. A book entitled: People of the Lakes a Guide for Wisconsin Lake Organizations states that most districts have audits performed by an accounting firm or by an internal committee. Joe mentioned that the district rarely, if ever, handles cash and he guessed that the district issues about 50 checks, excluding individual treatment refunds during a year. The actual count, determined after the annual meeting, was 38. Sue Kumlien made a motion to contact public accounting firms to determine what their charges would be to audit the district's books. The motion was seconded by Barb Arnswald and unanimously approved.

After a motion by Lou Wrezenski and a second by Matt Musiedlak the treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business

Big Springs Dam Project

Ken reported the district has done what we are going to do and now it is up to the Town of New Haven to do what they are going to do. Marty Koelper asked how we are going to follow up on this and Ken mentioned that we will keep our ears to New Haven, to keep in touch with them and to find out what their progress is. This is a priority for New Haven right now. Steve mentioned the district has the right to go on the site anytime we want to ensure everything is being done properly. Attached to these minutes is a copy of a May 24, 2007 letter detailing what the DNR agreed to. This letter was also attached to the May Special Meeting minutes.

2007 Weed Treatments

There is general agreement that the navigational channels have been very weed free this year.

There were no individual treatments because there were not sufficient amounts of invasive weed species. Certainly there were some residents badly affected by weeds, but the cost of doing just a few treatments would have been prohibitive.

Ken mentioned that Deb Konkell from the DNR stated that this is the best the lake has been in the past three years. She feels we are making a big dent in the Eurasian milfoil. Someone asked why this was so. Was it because of the weed treatments, increased carp population or what? Ken stated Deb felt it was the weed treatments. Some residents mentioned that this year was worse than last year, but most agreed it is just the luck of the draw. Joe mentioned that he felt that in the absence of studies, each year a different reason will be given for the weed conditions....the spring weather, because there was a drawdown or because there was not a drawdown. Joe asked that if anyone sees good articles explaining why weeds are down in a specific year, they should send him the articles so he can distribute them to the members.

Marty Koelper then asked about a drawdown this year. Ken mentioned that he had given the Town of Douglas the information they needed in spring and they have applied for a permit. We recommended a one-foot drawdown. Ken has not heard if they have

received the permit. According to Wayne Lueneburg the paper has said there will be no drawdown. Ken stated he will contact Karen from the Town of Douglas. Marty thought there could be better follow up on the board's part. Ken stated he will follow up with Shawn Each to see what the guidelines are for operating the dam.

Other

Dick Hanick asked about last year's fish stocking efforts. Ken talked to Scot Ironside (DNR) this summer to ask when the lake would be shocked to learn how the stocked fish were growing. Although Scot had promised last year to do the shocking this fall, he stated that this was no longer possible but there will be a shocking next spring and the following fall.

Marty Koelper asked whether the district receives any funds from the money box this is located at the boat landing on the east side of the lake. Ken stated no, all money goes to the Town of Douglas. Ken stated the district recommended the town use that money for upkeep of that launch. The district paid for the signs and set up the box, but we do not know how much money has been collected. Barb Arnswald said she had heard \$150.00 was collected.

Jan Luepke asked whether a map showing stumps in the lake could be distributed to everyone on the lake so people would not be dragging tubers through the stumps etc. It was mentioned that people doing this kind of thing are people not living or visiting people on the lake so distributing the maps would probably not accomplish much. Once again there are legalities involved. Joe mentioned that in the past he had talked to the district's insurance agent in the past about general insurance issues. Joe understood that even though the district would not be responsible for distributing the maps, it could most likely be shown the district condoned the distributing of maps and therefore the district could potentially be liable for an accident. The same could be said if the district does not maintain the signs it erects.

New Business

2008 Budget

The budget the board is proposing was distributed to everyone with the announcement of for the annual meeting. One member asked how many people in the district were adjacent to the shoreline. Joe stated that there seems to be a misunderstanding of who is in the district. Whether someone is adjacent to the lake is not an issue. For example, if a parcel in the district was divided into more than one parcel, the new parcels are in the district whether or not they are adjacent to the lake. To answer the question, Joe stated he sends about 160 pieces of mail or email to district members.

Peggy Tomlinson asked about an amount of \$9,234.00 on the second page of the budget. After looking at it, Joe stated it was a spreadsheet cell that had not been cleared and therefore had nothing to do with the budget.

The budget was unanimously approved after a motion by Phyllis Buchholz and a second by Dick Hanick.

Nomination and election of two commissioners

Ken stated that the terms of two board members have expired, Matt Musiedlak and Steve Kessenich. Ken asked for nominations for the two positions.

Sue Kumlien nominated Steve Kessenich, Jan Luepke nominated Barb Arnswald, and Dick Hanick nominated Bob Garske.

Dan Tomlinson wanted to nominate Matt Musiedlak but Matt declined due to family obligations. It was noted Matt has done an outstanding job during his years on the board.

Matt Musiedlak suggested one of the Tomlinson accept a nomination but they declined.

Dick Hanick moved to close the nominations and Dick Kumlien seconded it. By a unanimous vote the nominations were closed.

Ken asked for two people to pick up the ballots and count them. Peggy Tomlinson and Jan Luepke volunteered. Some asked whether they should write two names on one ballot or should each voter have two ballots? Although one board member stated two ballots were needed, Joe interjected that this issue is clearly covered in the by-laws and had been discussed in a prior annual meeting. The correct procedure is for each voter to have one ballot and to vote for one person on that ballot. Since two terms have expired, the two nominees receiving the most votes will be elected.

Ken Messer announced the vote tally as follows:

Steve Kessenich	10 votes
Barb Arnswald	7 votes
Bob Garske	6 votes.

A motion to destroy the ballots was made by Wayne Lueneburg, seconded by Jan Luepke and unanimously approved.

(During the October Board meeting it was noted that none of the nominations were seconded, therefore the election is void.)

Other

Ken received a letter in the mail three days prior to this meeting from the Marquette County Land and Conservation Department. This letter announced a countywide association of lake districts/organizations. The annual meeting will be held right after Labor Day weekend. Dues will be \$30.00 per group per year. Invitations to the county wide annual meeting will be sent out in August 2007. Ken mentioned this was received on very short notice. There was some discussion and there was general consensus to attend county wide annual meeting. Marty Koelper made a motion that someone attend the county-wide annual meeting of lake associations. The motion was seconded by Sally Danke. Joe Streater requested that Marty amend his motion to direct the board to attend, or be responsible for someone attending the county wide annual meeting. Marty agreed to this amendment but the change was not seconded. Therefore Marty's

original motion that someone attend the countywide annual meeting was voted up and was unanimously approved.

Joe mentioned that Adams County also has a countywide association of lake districts/organizations, which has been in existence over a year. We depend on the Adams County Land and Conservation Department for our grants and we should be very concerned with the issues addressed by the countywide association. Barb Arnswald inquired if we have been invited to join and if we have ever attended a meeting. We have been invited to join and we have never attended a meeting.

Marty made a motion to investigate joining the countywide association of lake districts/organizations in Adams County. After a second by Peggy Tomlinson the motion was unanimously approved.

Someone asked if anyone knew how many lake districts there are in Marquette County. Ken reviewed the letter he had previously read and it appeared that possibly 10 lakes were represented to date.

Sally Danke reported that what the July 4th board parade lacked in quantity of participants it made up for in quality of participants. She promised next year's parade will be even better. Thank you Sally for keeping this tradition alive.

Sally also reminded everyone that a brat fry will be held immediately after this meeting at the American Legion baseball field in Briggsville. Sally mentioned that Phyllis Buchholz, Jan and Ron Luepke and Bob Krause were very helpful to her. Once again, Sally, thank you for re-establishing this tradition.

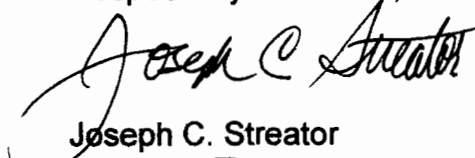
The next special meeting will be held March 15, 2008 at 9:00 AM at the New Haven Town Hall.

If you want anything addressed at the next special meeting, please let any board member know (but preferably the secretary) 30 days before the next special meeting.

Dan Tomlinson moved to adjourn the meeting. There were many seconds. After unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Special Meeting: March 15, 2007, 9:00 AM, New Haven Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph C. Streater
Secretary/Treasurer

Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2007 (Bank information for August 31 is as of 6:00 PM. Checks may be posted to account until 11:59 PM)

2007	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	1,638.62	686.24	0.00	1,441.11	1,900.19	1,415.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,081.75 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,727.71	0.00	11,840.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,338.65 Weed Control
Memberships	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	0.00	0.00	331.72	772.89	194.66	25.92	33.68	338.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,697.44 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.00	2,608.52	14.57	530.00	113.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,506.37 Lake Maintenance
													33,874.21 Total
Total 2007	240.00	0.00	2,740.34	10,426.84	2,803.18	13,322.54	2,463.87	1,877.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,874.21 Check of total

2006	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Legal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,055.05	5,055.05 Legal
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	770.00	7,362.95	0.00	11,750.59	0.00	782.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,665.62 Weed Control
Memberships	225.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	295.00 Memberships
Insurance	0.00	-183.00	0.00	0.00	1,021.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	838.00 Insurance
Supplies etc.	48.93	0.00	121.39	0.00	316.25	0.00	0.00	536.38	39.50	157.02	0.00	0.00	1,219.47 Supplies etc.
Lake Maintenance	0.00	0.00	149.92	42.07	1,500.00	1,745.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,540.00	5,976.99 Lake Maintenance
													34,050.13 Total
Total 2006	273.93	-113.00	1,041.31	7,405.02	2,837.25	13,495.59	0.00	1,318.46	39.50	157.02	0.00	7,595.05	34,050.13 Check of total

Checkbook balance as of August 31, 2007 \$ 3,930.38

Adjusted checkbook balance 3,930.38

Bank balance as of August 31, 2007 \$ 5,928.59

-24.96 Messser expense check
-37.76 Two riparian refund checks (Messer and Flannery) for 2006 riparian treatments.
-105.49 Krause for bratfest expenses
-1,830.00 2007 riparian refunds

Adjusted bank balance 3,930.38

Difference after adjustments 0.00

CD amount \$ 14,396.20

OUTSTADING BILLS 1,045.00 Insurance
169.00 Legal
Balance after these bills 2,716.38