

**Minutes of the Board of Directors**  
**Voices for Lake Oahe**  
**January 13, 2009 @ 7:00 pm**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Bosch. Directors present were: Dave Beastron, Char Mosset, Tom Jochim, and Jerry Putzier. Absent were directors Rick Lee, Darris Job, Tony Splonskowski and Joe W. Vetter.

Motion by Dave Beastron, second by Jerry Putzier to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2008 meeting.

Treasurer's report was given by Dave Beastron in the amount of \$12,043.42 in the checking account. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Jerry Putzier, second by Char Mosset.

**Committee Reports:**

**Boat Ramp Committee:** John Bartel of the Us Army COE was present to further discuss the questions previously asked by VFLO regarding the boat ramps along Lake Oahe. The Beaver Bay Boat ramp was discussed and it was decided that a small adjustable dock would be purchased and installed.

Also discussed was the parking lot and landing area at Beaver Bay. John Bartel agreed that the COE would furnish gravel when needed and develop a maintenance contract with any individual willing to maintain the parking lot and ramp area.

The boat ramp at Cattail Bay was the next item discussed. The COE agreed that they would bring in equipment to clear the vegetation standing above the ice at the boat landing to make it more accessible when the ice melts. The work will be done this winter while the water and ice are low, so when the water rises in the spring the vegetation will be below water level.

John Bartel also state that due to budget cuts, Cattail Bay is on a list of possible abandonment by the COE. The Corp would be willing to lease the property and fixtures, such as picnic tables, vaulted toilets and boat ramp, to the County for continued upkeep and maintenance.

Discussion was held on the fish cleaning station at Beaver Bay and the problem with the water being turned off at the station. John stated that historically the water is turned off the first or second week after Labor Day due to the shallow water reservoir and the possibility of it freezing.

\*Please note that due to extreme weather conditions, no other Committee reports were given at this meeting.

#### New Business:

Discussion was held regarding conducting a Pheasant Hunt Raffle. The prize would be a two-day pheasant hunt, lodging, food and beverages, and licenses for 4 people. Estimated expenses would be around \$2,000 with a possible profit between \$3,000 to \$4,000. Randy will consult an attorney regarding the wording of the raffle tickets and report back at the next meeting.

Received a proposed cost estimate in the total amount of \$342,000 for a preliminary feasibility study on the Beaver Bay Embankment. This cost estimate was then forwarded to Senator Robert Erbele. Senator Erbele then contacted Tom indicating that he will be introducing a Bill in January to fund this study. He asked that members of the VFLO board be present at the committee hearings to speak in favor of the Bill and to answer any questions. Senator Erbele will keep the Board informed as to the time and date of the first hearing.

Next Board of Directors meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2009 @ 7:00 pm at the Green Lantern.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Dave Beaström, second by Char Mosset.

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Tom Jochim,  
Secretary