

Minutes of the Board of Directors
Voices for Lake Oahe
November 11, 2008 @ 7:00 pm

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

Motion by Char Mosset, second by Tony Splonskowski to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2008 meeting. (Note: no October meeting)

Treasurer's report was given by Dave Beastron in the amount of \$7,705.42 in the checking account. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Jerry Putzier, seconded by Darris Job.

Committee Reports:

Dam Committee: Randy reported that he is communicating with Mike Gunsch from Houston Engineers. Mike is waiting on a response from the ND State Water Commission to proceed with determining the cost of studying the Beaver Bay project and estimate the local cost share.

Boat Ramp Committee & Road Committee: Randy sent a letter to the US Army COE regarding four questions. Listed below are the questions with responses from John Bartel, Operations Project Manager:

Question 1.) We were wondering if it would be possible to get a dock installed at the low water access at the Beaver Bay campground?

Response 1.) The low water ramp in Beaver Creek campground is too narrow to place a typical dock and launch a boat at that location. The two docks that were on the main ramp are at the low water ramps at Jennerville and North Beaver Creek.

Question 2.) Ralph had indicated a few weeks ago that someone was coming to do some more grading at the low water access at Beaver Bay; do you have an update on when this will take place?

Response 2.) This has been fixed once in September and is a constant maintenance headache due to the boats draining as people pull up to the parking lot. Last checked by maintenance staff in mid-October and said it was useable but the side drainage continues to cut.

Question 3.) The boat ramp at Cattail Bay could be used if we were able to eliminate the trees that are currently growing in the channel leading to the reservoir. Do you have any ideas on how this vegetation could be eliminated? Could it be done mechanically or could

some Aquacide pellets be used? I believe these pellets are used when they are eliminating a weed problem.

Response 3.) We will use the ice to our advantage and use a bobcat and mechanical tree shear to clean a route out to the Lake. The trees will eventually die due to being inundated but that would only solve part of the problem.

Question 4.) Would you have anyone available to help remove the logs from the channel at Cattail that have drifted in?

Response 4.) We usually do not remove the logs unless they are blocking the end of the ramps. We had logs drift into Hazelton during high water, and plugged it with logs and before we could get our equipment down there, the next day they drifted out. We will also look at the removal of the logs when we evaluate the trees on questions 3.

John Bartel offered to send a representative of the Corp to a future VFLO meeting to hear questions and discuss some partnership opportunities with VFLO.

An invitation to a future VFLO meeting will be sent to the Corp to discuss these issues and other issues such as the road conditions to all the Boat Ramps.

Raffle Committee: Sales of the tickets is going well with not many tickets left. The drawing will be on December 5, 2008 @ 8:30 pm @ Cattail Bay.

Noxious Weed Committee: No Report.

Shoreline Access Committee: No Report.

Membership Committee: Letters were sent to past VFLO members (about 25 people) that did not renew for 2008. About half have sent their renewal membership back.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

Voices for Lake Oahe will pay \$90.00 to the Bismarck Rec & Reel Club for the current Board Member dues.

Next Board of Directors meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 9, 2008 @ 7:00 pm at the Green Lantern.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Char, second by Tony.

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Secretary