

CITY OF WOODLAND
HORSESHOE LAKE COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

The regular meeting of the Horseshoe Lake Management Committee was held on the above date, at the Woodland City Hall, 100 Davidson Avenue Street, Woodland, WA 98674.

Chairman Tom Golik called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. Roll call found the following:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Tom Golik, Chairman
Walt Church
Mike Curry
Bill Dunlap (Absent)
Terry Jones (Absent)
Francis Patnode
Pat Rychel
Neil Van Horn

MAYOR/COUNCIL/OTHER:

Scott Perry, Councilmember
Stacie Kelsey, Dept. of Fish & Wildlife

STAFF:

Jody Bartkowski, Secretary

MINUTES

The May 9, 2013 minutes and July 11, 2013 were approved as presented. The June and August meetings were cancelled.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

A. Pump and Lake Update. Discussion ensued regarding the pump maintenance log, weed growth, limiting use of propeller boats in the weedy areas, correspondence with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to post no trespassing signs at the pump structure, policing of the pump area, cleaning/repair/design of pump screens, the need for WSDOT to do a thorough cleaning of limbs and weeds, increasing screen cleaning to bi-monthly during the summer, and a Memorandum of Understanding with WSDOT for shared duties.

Stacie Kelsey, Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) discussed the setting of nets for carp counting, a report received from a citizen who captured a grass carp, scheduling a site visit to the pump structure with Public Works Leadman Dennis Ripp, and reported that the outlet structure has been placed on the WDFW's annual list of projects to be inspected.

Further discussion was held regarding the plant survey visit to Horseshoe Lake by the Department of Ecology (DOE), the lack of need for blue/green algae testing, DOE paying for voluntarily blue/green algae testing, the Committee's desire to test if it can be done before the weather changes, and the affect of the DOE visit on grant applications. A summary of DOE findings will be presented to the Committee as soon as it is available.

- B. Water Quality & Sampling.** Attendees conducted a review of the phosphorus and E. coli graphs. Discussion ensued regarding appropriate contaminate levels, testing using private boats, and the ability to use WDFW's hydro lab and do additional testing if Ms. Kelsey can participate.
- C. Budget.** Discussion was held regarding lab testing costs, unexpended funds, limited budget funding in 2014, contacting Commissioner Misner for additional help, testing kits purchased and not used by WDFW, WDFW's agreement to continue their testing for the months that were not done in Ms. Kelsey's absence, and the need for approximately \$5,000 in 2014. Ms. Kelsey discussed the need to maintain the Lake due to the finding of Coho salmon and WDFW writing a letter to Mayor showing the need.
- D. Goals and Priorities.** The following items were discussed:
- Milfoil Eradication.** Discussion was held regarding the "Crazy for Carp, Trash Fish" newspaper article. Ms. Kelsey reported that the Silver Lake carp removal event did not happen. The Committee reiterated that they do want the Silver Lake carp and will plan to attend their September meeting.
- Council Member Scott Perry questioned Ms. Kelsey regarding chemical use by homeowners. Discussion ensued regarding spot testing, water flow, and payment by homeowners. Ms. Kelsey will gather additional information and report back to the Committee.
- Grant Opportunities.** Ms. Kelsey reported that she is currently reviewing a set of grant opportunities and continuing to review oxbow lakes and their management.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Committee Vacancy.** Staff reported that Bill Dunlap will fill the position vacated by Jeff Sullivan. Mr. Dunlap plans to attend the October meeting.

OTHER

- **Committee Responsibility and Quorum for Action.** Discussion ensued regarding the Committee's responsibility to make recommendations to Council, making recommendations with less than a quorum, relating information to Council, new Council format for departmental reports, the Committee's desire to hold meetings regardless of a quorum, and the Washington State Open Meetings Acts (OPMA). Staff will provide information regarding the OPMA at the next regular meeting.
- **Shoreline Management Plan Update.** Staff reported that a representative is still scheduled to meet with the Committee; information regarding retaining walls can be discussed at that time.
- **Standard Operating Procedures for the Horseshoe Lake valve.** Committee Member Walt Church asked that the SOP's be reviewed again to make sure everyone is aware of the process for opening the Lake valve before it is done this winter.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, October 10, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. at the Woodland City Hall, 100 Davidson Avenue, Woodland WA 98674.

Tom Golik

Tom Golik - Chairman

November 14, 2013

Date

Jody Bartkowski

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