

**October 4, 2008 Round Lake Property Owners Association General  
Membership Meeting Minutes**

**Board Members Present:** Strachota, Otterlei, Kintzinger, Reinemann, Narr & Tiffany

**Board Members not Present:** Nancekivell, Kingston, Ardoyno

**General Members Present:** approximately 45.

**Location:** Round Lake Town Hall 9AM

**MOTIONS:**

1. Approved unanimously minutes of prior general membership meeting June 21, 2008.
2. Use general RLPOA Fund anytime in future for milfoil eradication if not enough funds in dedicated "milfoil fund". Approved unanimously
3. Empower RLPOA Board to further study "tax assessment" for invasive species eradication and to specifically get (written) legal opinion addressing concerns about making sure assessment is limited to Round Lake invasive species eradication only + other protections including if RLPOA can cancel assessment in future and how much future control RLPOA has in process when and if implemented. Motion also included provision for RLPOA Board to make "final" decision in how to proceed. Approved 40 yea to 6 nea.
4. RLPOA would be in support of vacating 1941 PSC Order if and only if Round Lake water level would be actively managed to the elevation of 1344.875 (local datum 77.125 feet) and present unofficial WDNR minimum flow interpretations are significantly relaxed in the spring/early summer time so that water can be stored in Round Lake for public use & reasonable minimum flow later in the season.
5. Reimburse Al Reinemann \$1492.0 for legal expenses incurred because of his RLPOA representation during Hausman Lawsuit. Deferred to RLPOA Board and subsequently approved by board.
6. Unanimously elected Frank Tyson to RLPOA Board to replace Jim Nancekivell with a three year term ending fall of 2011.
7. Unanimously elected Daniel Kollodge to replace resigning board member Terry Kingston. His term will end fall of 2009.
8. Unanimously elected Wally Narr & John Otterlei for 3 year terms ending fall of 2011.

**Financials:**

Current approximate balances as of 08/31/2008 28k in general fund; 5.8k in milfoil fund and 21.1k in water level defense fund.

Milfoil expenditures this year 12k with 6k for chemical eradication and balance for studies/consultants.

**Membership:** Current paid members 322 and last year total was 405.

**Tax Assessment or Tax District:**

Potential ongoing funding problem for milfoil invasive species control.

This would provide permanent way to deal with problem and get everyone to participate.

Estimate up to 15k per year to deal with milfoil problem including chemical treatment and manual pulling of plants.

Town of Hayward and Round Lake are taxing authorities and RLPOA needs to draft letter stating we want this and that our membership is supportive.

There will be some additional advertising and legal fees.

Public hearing required.

RLPOA will recommend how to collect tax (tax parcel, % or property owners etc.)

Townships pay for milfoil eradication etc. then tax collected in arrears. Will or could start in 2010 or 2011 if approved.

If want to stop program RLPOA needs to draft another letter stating that to the Townships. Need verification on this point.

There are statues concerning this issue.

See MOTION 3 above.

**MILFOIL:**

Preliminary results from Steve Schieffer milfoil survey show 1.4 acres of treatable milfoil in Round/Little Round Lakes minus Hinton Bay which has not been studied yet. He estimates that total treatable acreage will be less then last year. States that most of Round lake not conducive to milfoil propagation.

APM (Aquatic Plant Management Study) completed and needs to be presented to public before final formal approval – website and newspaper ad.

We will try to get 10k from WDNR to pay for APM study.

**WATER LEVEL:**

Would need 20k to 50k to hire engineer to study SEH work for flaws + 50k for legal.

Political problem – we need to get state legislators etc. involved. Committee running WDNR is very important.

Encourage email, phone calls and letters to local and state representatives.

See MOTION 4 above. This addresses Sawyer County concern about liability for water level above 1345 feet; homeowners concerns about low water and impact on property values, navigation and increasing vegetation because of increased low water areas.

**BOARD ELECTIONS:**

Terry Kinston has resigned effective immediately and is replaced with Daniel Kollodge.

Much appreciation for Terry and his efforts on milfoil.

Frank Tyson elected to replace Jim Nancekivell.

Wally Narr and John Otterlei elected unanimously for 3 year terms ending fall of 2011.

**NEWSLETTER**

Could be ready for November 2008. Need email, phone and addresses of key representatives.

Sincerely,

Tom Kintzinger, RLPOA VP & Secretary.

