

Round Lake Area Planning Minutes
Dec 9, 2005
DNR office- Hayward

Present: Wally Narr (RLPO), Jim Hausman, Tom Jerow (DNR), John Hirschfeld (RLPO), Mic Isham (LCO, GLIFWC), Frank Dallam (DNR), Sue Kintzinger (RPLO), Gary Gedart (Sawyer Co.), Kris Mayberry (Sawyer Co.), Jan Eck (LCD), Shirley Riedmann (Sawyer Co.), Dale Olson (LCD), Tom Duffy (Sawyer Co.), Dan Tyrolt (LCO Conservation), Peter David (GLIFWC), Tom Aartila (DNR), Dave Kafura (DNR), Terrell Boettcher(Sawyer Co. Record)

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Ground rules
 - a. These were established (attachment) and will be revisited.
- 3) Decision making process
 - a. Decisions will be made by consensus, with the understanding that some decisions can only be recommendations as per tribal rights and DNR/ County regulations.
- 4) Process
 - a. The group discussed the process of addressing the 5 concerns brought forth at the May 5th meeting. After much discussion, most of the group was in agreement that a more comprehensive lake management plan would be better suited to address the major concerns.
 - b. There is concern about the petition to the DNR and how this might affect the ability to do a longer planning process. The county will explore whether the planning process can address the issues raised in the petition and whether the process constitutes action in terms of the petition.
 - c. As to the process, the group will bring forth a proposed management plan. This plan will be presented to the public for comment. Comments will be considered and a final plan will be provided to all the regulating authorities for approval.
- 5) Management plan
 - a. Mic shared his experience with the Chippewa Flowage management plan (CFMP). Shirley was looking for a general template we can use. Mic believes the CFMP has all the components we will need for a plan here, and it incorporates tribal and state issues. The county wants to be sure that the plan gives them clear direction. Some copies of the CFMP were distributed to the group, and more copies will be made available before the next meeting.
 - b. Frank expressed the need to resolve the County NN issue. The county must act on this; however, some time will be given to resolve the issue if the group is actively moving forward on a more comprehensive management plan.

- 6) Group members
 - a. A standing group will be formed to work on the management plan. Again, this is just a draft, and the public will have a shot at it later. Thus this group needs to be representative, but not too large.
 - b. Who else we need at the table: Army Corps of Engineers, Tiger Cat Assoc, Osprey Lake Assoc. Each lake association will be invited to send one representative.
- 7) To do before next meeting
 - a. Explore county petition to the DNR. Will the petition limit our work on a plan?
 - b. Provide examples of other management plans, particularly CFMP.
 - c. Dale will work on 2 maps: ownership (private, public, reservation) and watershed boundaries
 - d. DNR will supply copies of existing water level orders, and provide information to define what “high” and “low” means.
 - e. A hydrologic summary of the data we currently have will be provided by Frank.
 - f. Everyone needs to think about funding options for this group to use to *develop* the plan (copies, meeting costs, costs of public participation effort, writing the actual plan).
- 8) Meetings
 - a. The group will meet on the last Thursday of every month from 9am-noon. Locations may vary. The next meeting is scheduled for Jan 26 at Famous Dave’s. (Note: Feb date may need to change due to the Birkie.)

Other notes from the meeting:

- The water level will be of highest importance. It appears, according to those present, that there are few that want the level lowered. Some want the level higher, though opinion seems to be that the level needs to be controlled. There have been resolutions by the tribe and RLPOA as to water level.
- There needs to be a meeting between Jim Zorn (GLIFWC), Michael Cain or Michael Lutz (DNR) and Tom Duffy (Sawyer Co) to draft a memorandum of understanding as to tribal and state rights and regulations.
- The county needs to define what they need to act on between now and when the plan is complete as per the petition/ lawsuit.