

Big Blake Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District

Annual Meeting, August 18, 2012

Agenda

Board Members: **Sam Weber**, Chair; **Sandy Thorn**, Secretary; **Jim Filkins**, Intermim Treasurer; **Cedric Solland**, Commissioner; **Joan Maxwell**, Commissioner; **Harry Johansen**, Polk County Board; **Ron Ogren**, Georgetown Chair

Call to Order

Welcome, Introductions, Gratitude
Approval of Spring meeting minutes
Approval of Treasurer's report
Introduction of Guests and Presentations:
Jeremy Williamson – Core Sediment Sampling

Old Business

Clean Boats Clean Waters (Peggy Lauritsen)
Harvey Report (Jim Maxwell)
AIS Grant Update (Sam Weber)
Slow-no-wake Zone
VOTE: 50/50*: Equalized Assessment & Mill Rate

New Business

VOTE: Lock-In method of collecting District fees for 3 years
VOTE: Large Scale Planning Grant for Core-Sediment Sampling (not Education, Prevention, and Planning grant as previously stated)

Polk County updates – Harry Johansen
Georgetown updates – Ron Ogren
Annual Budget (Jim Filkins)

Large Scale Planning Grant
yes

WAL Convention Delegates
2013 Parade Date (July 4th falls on a Thursday) **PARADE HELD ON THE 4th.**

Start at boat Landing -

Annual Business

VOTE: Commissioner Election
3-year terms currently held by Cedric Solland and Judy Everson

Jim Filkins
Lisa Denne
Tom Bardon

Announcements

Blakewide Pontoon/Boat Tie-Up this afternoon at 4:00pm in the middle of the lake.

Bring your drinks and a snack (optional)

Spring Meeting will be held May 18, 2013 (3rd Saturday in May)

2013 Annual Meeting will be held August 17th (3rd Saturday in August)

* 50/50 is a way of collecting funds for our District budget (currently \$20,000) whereby \$10,000 is collected using the Mill Rate and \$10,000 is collected using Equalized Assessment.

* Mill Rate: District rate is based on the property value of each parcel.

* Equalized Assessment: Each parcel in the District pays the same.

7 YEAR SUMMARY OF HARVESTOR EXPENSE

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
operator wages	\$1,608	\$2,303.00	\$3,380	\$4,034	\$4,237	\$3,673	\$2,509.00
maint wages while harvesting	\$949	\$3,521	\$1,827	\$1,837	\$247	\$377	\$585.00
maint wages spring startup-fall winterize	?	?	?		\$611	\$676	\$260.00
parts supplies	\$0	\$223	\$403	\$1,115	\$3,349	\$3,001	\$624.50
fuel gas diesel	\$693	\$376	\$1,233	\$339	\$531	\$649	\$582.13
storage weed disposal	0	\$420	\$480	\$450	\$280	\$290	0
apm coordinator	\$0	\$2,571	\$2,573	\$2,482	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,500
jeremy monitoring	0	\$1,600	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,400	\$1,700	0
insurance	\$1,301	\$1,861	\$2,784	\$2,782	\$2,897	\$2,946	\$3,039
tractor repairs	\$572	\$8,957	\$0	\$0	\$780	\$0	\$0
	\$5,123	\$21,832	\$13,980	\$14,339	\$16,832	\$15,812	\$9,099.13

as of 8-12

LOADS HARVESTED EACH YEAR

2006	107
2007	\$97
2008	103
2009	59
2010	85

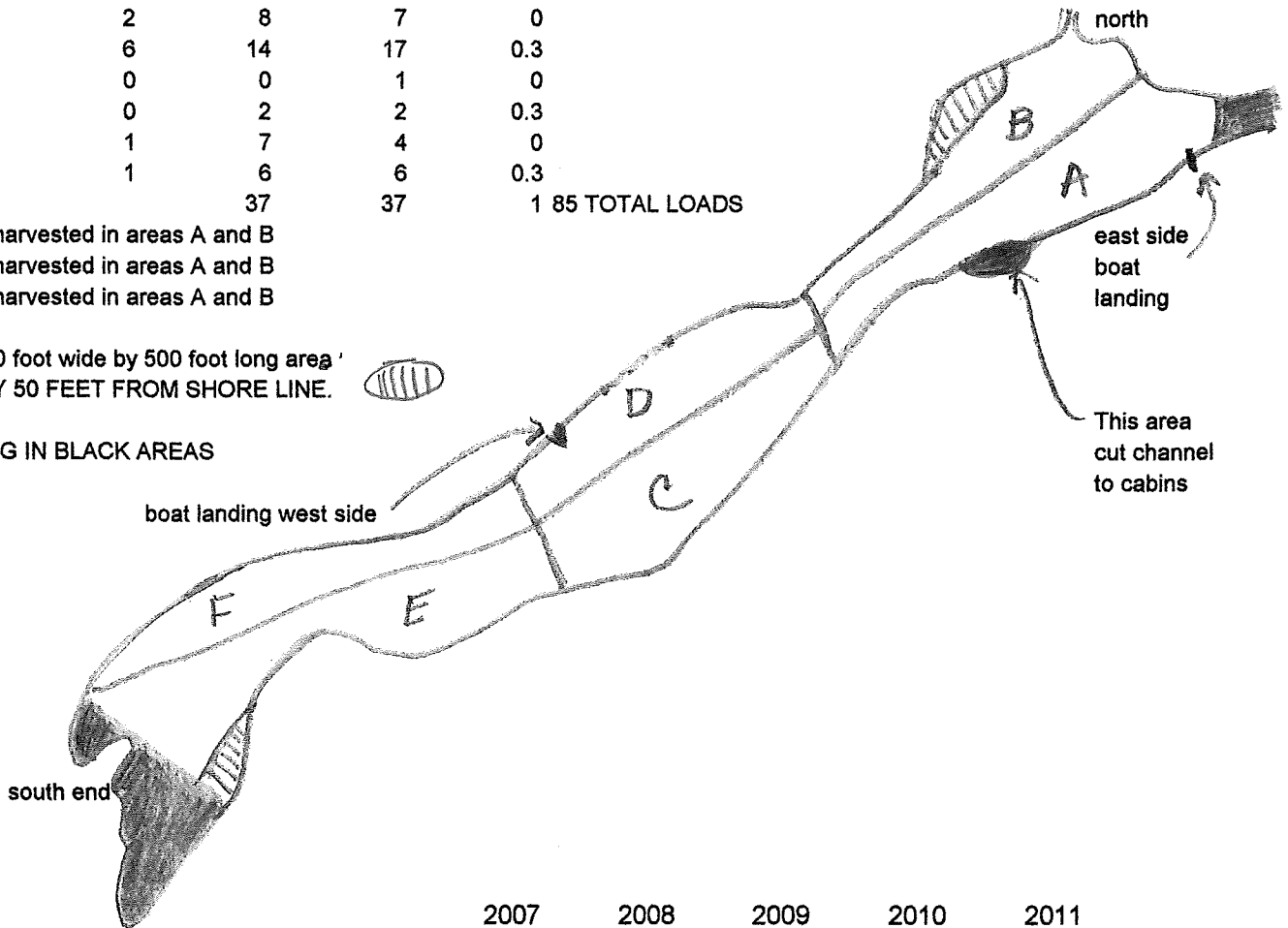
LAKE IS DIVIDED INTO 6 AREAS TO DETERMINE WHERE CUTTING IS DONE.

	5-1 TO 5-16	5-22 TO 6-1	6-4 TO 6-8	6-11 TO 6-27
AREA==A	2	8	7	0
AREA==B	6	14	17	0.3
AREA==C	0	0	1	0
AREA==D	0	2	2	0.3
AREA==E	1	7	4	0
AREA==F	1	6	6	0.3
		37	37	1 85 TOTAL LOADS

2010 80 % harvested in areas A and B
 2011 80 % harvested in areas A and B
 2012 67 % harvested in areas A and B

Can cut a 50 foot wide by 500 foot long area
 MUST STAY 50 FEET FROM SHORE LINE.

NO CUTTING IN BLACK AREAS



C.B.C.W.	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
5 YEAR SUMMARY					
WEST SIDE	299.5	528	305	86.5	127
EAST SIDE	146.5	605	204.5	203	651
TOTAL HRS.	446	1133	509.5	289.5	778

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Spring Meeting, May 12, 2012

Minutes

Call to Order and Introductions at 09:03 a.m.

Approval of Fall 2011 Annual and Special meeting minutes: A Don Craft/Helene Schmidt motion to accept Fall minutes as printed on handout carried unanimously.

Old Business

District Boundaries: Work was completed by Polk County Land Information Dept for \$2600. Hearing will be held July 11, 2012; Polk County Board will act on resolution during their August board meeting.

Harvey Update: Plan to begin harvesting around May 14–15 for curly leaf pondweed. Jim Maxwell noticed weeds in areas around the lake that are different areas than in the past.

Clean Boats Clean Waters: Peggy Lauritsen volunteered to head up CBCW. A sign-up sheet was passed around during the meeting; approximately 20 people signed up to participate in CBCW. We need to have 200 hours per access each year.

APM Grant: Committee members Ford Elliot, Sam Weber, Jim Filkins, Jim Maxwell and Joan Maxwell will meet with WDNR members Pamela Toschner, Alex Smith, Jane Malischke, and Frank Koshere in Spooner on May 24th to discuss the next phase of aquatic plant management for our lake. Previous five-year grant ran from 2007–2011. Our next grant cycle is planned for 2013–2018, with Aug 2012 or Feb 2013 deadlines for grant submission.

Public Access: An undeveloped lake access on Baker Road was “brushed” without permission by the Balsam Lake Rod and Gun Club. Lake District discussion began last Fall when Georgetown town chair stated at our annual meeting that Georgetown would not give permission for the Rod and Gun club to develop a third landing on our 217 acre lake. District members are very upset that the Rod and Gun Club would come in without permission and take down trees and clear an area without permission. Discussed sending a letter to Georgetown to reiterate our position, and also to ask the Gun Club to replant trees of the same size as those taken down.

Request was made for porta-potties at the two developed boat landings.

New Business

Agenda items for Aug 18th Annual Meeting should be turned in to a District commissioner by July 18, 2012. Agenda items suggested today are:

50/50 mill rate/equalized assessment for annual budget.

A moratorium on mill rate/equalized assessment proposals so that whatever is established by vote will remain locked in for a certain number of years. Board needs to look into whether this would be "legal" to establish.

New signage at each landing notify boaters of "no-wake" zone in the narrows. Some boaters are not following this Wisconsin statute. Suggestion was made to purchase four buoys. Another suggestion was to add more signage at each access. Georgetown and DNR approval is also needed. Jim Maxwell will get more information.

Announcements

4th of July Parade will be held on Wednesday, July 4th, at 4:00 pm

Motion to adjourn at 09:37 a.m.

Board of Commissioners Meeting 5/30/12

Minutes

Spring meeting should not be scheduled for Mother's Day weekend, would a newsletter suffice instead of having a meeting?

APM Plan needs to be written after the new AIS grant is approved, we are currently operating under the APM plan approved in 2007.

AIS Grant: Sam Weber commissioned to write AIS Grant with a 4-0 vote of approval. Grant will be reviewed by APM committee and District board members prior to submission to WDNR. Stipend of \$2,500-\$3,500 based on time spent.

Jim Filkins will temporarily sit on the board in Judy Everson's place and will handle the treasurer's duties until the annual meeting on August 18th, 2012.

We would like to pursue a master list of emails for District members and find ways to utilize the internet for notifications.

The next commissioner's meeting will be held 7/9/12 to discuss annual meeting agenda and annual budget.