

Little McDonald Kerbs Paul Lake Improvement District

September 5, 2017 Minutes

Perham Area Community Center

Call to Order—Jim Nigg called the meeting to order at 3:00.

Introduction of Guests and Comments—Mike Opat and Pat Downs of Moore Engineering, John Shockley of Ohnsted-Twichell law firm, Darrell Nordick, Roger Neitzke, Karen Dammann, Rene Putnam, and Gary Griffin of Little McDonald Lake (LM), and George Kupferschmid of Paul Lake (P). LID members present were Jim Nigg, Joe Esser, Bill Putnam, Glenn Schreier, Al Bierdeman, Ardell Weigandt, Les Konley, and Blair Anderson. Absent was Dan Gleason.

A. Old Business

1. Approve Minutes of August 8 Meeting: Ardell W. motioned to accept. Bill P. seconded. Motion carried.
2. Title Opinions, Common Leg: John Shockley discussed the reason for this. This will eliminate future problems and claims. Bill P. made a motion to start a title search on the Lehman and Offutt properties. Les K. seconded. Motion carried.
3. Ditch 25 Withdrawal Request to Otter Tail County: Meeting with OTC was held this morning. It went very well. A public hearing will be held on Oct. 24 at 1:00. The decision will be presented at the County Board meeting on Nov. 14 at 1:15.
4. Purchase Agreements re. Glenn Anderson property: Pat Downs discussed the situation involving this piece of property. All parties are satisfied with the outcome.
5. Permitting involving BNSF and MNDOT: Jim N. reported that BNSF (Burlington Northern Santa Fe) stated that our permit will be arriving shortly. Also our insurance approvals will be coming shortly. The insurance costs will be a 60/40 split with Devils Lake. MNDOT-There was a \$5000.00 application fee. It will be refunded when the project is completed.
6. LID Member Communication: Jim N. stressed the need for our LID using paper communication. We need a “paper trail”. We will send notice to all members via email concerning the bid process.
7. Other: Discussion was held concerning the drilled wells that remain on the Johnson property. These will remain in place and be used for listing of lake levels during pumping. They will need to be removed at LMKP expense at some future time. The Johnsons are fine with this.

B. New Business

1. Treasurer's Report: Bill P. reviewed the new layout of the expense spread sheet. He also stated that at the end of August there was \$6,141,499.00 left in bonding money. Joe E. made motion to approve the report. Ardell W. seconded. Motion carried.
2. Accounts Payable: Bill P. presented a list of engineering and legal assistance expenses to be paid. Motion to approve this payment was made by Al B. Seconded by Ardell W. Motion carried. Bill P. also presented a list of miscellaneous expenses to be paid. These included printing, mailing and newspaper advertising costs. Les K. motioned for payment on these items to be made. Joe E. seconded. Motion carried. Bill also discussed the insurance payment situation.
3. Committee Work Group Reports: Nothing was discussed.
4. Coordinator's Report: Pat Downs discussed property appraisals. He also discussed how payments would be made once the construction work begins.
5. Engineer's Report: Mike Opat. Advertising for bids will be on Sept. 7, Sept. 14, and Sept. 21. Bids will be opened on Oct. 3. at 1:00. All permits need to be in hand by Oct. 10. The Fergus Falls paper will be used for advertising bids. Quest, an on-line service used by contractors, will also be used. There will be a pre-bid meeting on Sept. 22 at the PACC. This is for the contractors. Attendance is not mandatory. We have a 60 day permit in which we can hold bids if all permitting is not in.
6. Other: Roger Neitzke inquired as to how the DNR handles the OHW situations. Pat Downs discussed this matter. Current lake levels are Little McDonald at 36 inches above OHW and Paul Lake at 33 inches above OHW. Rusch Lake does not have an established OHW level. Mike Opat is working with Julie Adland, DNR, and Rusch will need to have an OHW set by the DNR. This is so our culverts between Paul Lake and Little McDonald Lake can be set at the necessary elevations.

Next Meetings: Oct. 5 at 3:00PM PACC. Nov. 7 at 3:00PM PACC.

Ardell W. made motion to adjourn at 4:23. Blair W. seconded. Motion carried.