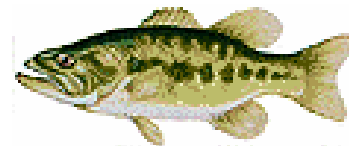




**Lakes Commission Meeting  
January 19, 2010  
7:30 p.m.**



<b>Bob Blameuser</b>	Lake Potomac	<b>Greg Koenig</b>	Village at Large
Jim Cousineau	Lake Linden	<b>Jim O'Neal</b>	Village at Large
<b>Tom Heinrich</b>	Lake Springledge	<b>Tony Skwerski</b>	Village at Large
<b>Ken Funk</b>	Lake Waterford	Matt Formica	Village Administrator
<b>Kathy Georgen</b>	Village at Large	<b>Renee Metzelaar</b>	Village Trustee
<b>Glenn Green</b>	Village at Large	<b>Jim Stout</b>	LPD Liaison

**bold** = present

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm

**II. Roll Call**

Members of the Lakes Commission were present as indicated in **bold** above.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. Tom made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. It was seconded by Jim O. The motion carried unanimously.

**IV. Communications and Correspondence**

- Ken mentioned that he sent an email to PondClean to find out if they had done the sediment test. He has received no response.
- The latest publication of the "Village Voice" had incorrect information concerning snowmobile usage. It stated that snowmobiles can be used on Lake Linden, BUT the Village ordinance states that no snowmobiles are allowed on any Village lakes.

**V. Old Business**

Lake Potomac:

1. Tom H. investigated several Organic Sediment Removal Systems (OSRS) references and shared the results with the commission. Tom telephoned Kemper Lakes Country Club in Kildeer, Heather Ridge in Gurnee, Brae Loch Country Club in Grayslake and Indian Hill Country Club in Wilmette. All four had different issues and gave Tom a good idea of OSRS's services. All four references were very happy with the results they obtained. They had a lot of confidence in Rich Kohutko and felt he was very knowledgeable on the best way to proceed for their unique situation.

When Tom H. visited Heather Ridge he was able see the "pillow" in action, although it was under the snow. Ken made a subsequent visit and shared a photo of the fenced in "pillow" with everyone.

Bob noted that he spoke with the Army Corps of Engineers about the sediment removal project. He was told that they were agreeable and would write a "No Objection" letter when we need it.

2. Bob prepared a memo on Lake Potomac Sediment Removal and accompanying survey entitled Lake Potomac Resident Input and Sediment Removal Funding Survey. Ken and Matt reviewed and edited it into the draft shared. The commission reviewed the draft documents and suggested some edits to the text and survey.

Discussion followed concerning the possible cost to residents. One resident suggested that the Village pay for the demo project, which will cost \$20,000 plus disposal of the sediment. If the residents see that the process works, they would be more likely to agree to help fund it. Renee told us the Village Board has not discussed this yet, and feels they would like to see a proposal for the entire project, not just this one demo part.

The Commission decided to obtain the sediment data and information on disposal costs. We will use the information to estimate the cost of the overall project. Then we will revise the survey and send it to the residents. After we get the survey results, we will present the information to the Village Board.

3. Kathy will look into what grants are available for this type of project. Ken suggested she focus on the EPA's 319 grants.

#### Non-resident lake usage:

The Village Board rejected our motion and recommendation that *resident ice-fisherman be required to have a watercraft sticker visible on their person or equipment* because the Village attorney questioned its illegality to do so. Commissioners commented that many lakes in the surrounding area do it.

The LPD is supportive of having an officer present when available on Saturday morning at Linden Landing along with a commissioner.

#### VI. New Business

- Web site – Ken reported that a professional web developer completed work on the new village web site which was launched on Monday Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. The URL for the LLC website has been changed from [www.lindenhurstil.org/lakescom/main.htm](http://www.lindenhurstil.org/lakescom/main.htm) to [www.lindenhurstlakes.com](http://www.lindenhurstlakes.com). A redirect from the old to the new site has also been put in place. We will have to update our business cards, literature, booth sign, etc. to reflect the change.
- ILMA is coming March 3-5, 2010 and will be held at the Holiday Inn Select, 1801 Naper Blvd., Naperville, IL 60563. Registration is required. No funds are currently available for seminars, but registration is only \$75 for the entire conference. Commissioners are encouraged to attend some of the sessions at their own expense because they are very informative and the venue is nearby.
- SpringFest is March 27-28. Ken will register for a booth assuming there is adequate support from commissioners to share set up, take down and time in the booth. Literature may be needed for SpringFest and Earth Day.
- Earth Day is April 24. We have been contacted about our participation.
- Stocking – Other associations have events to raise funds for the activities. With the current budget restrictions we have limited funds for seminars and no included

funding for fish stocking. Adding more fish to Lake Potomac will probably be desirable and continuing to add Tiger Muskies every second or third year to maintain a healthy apex predator population is required to manage pan fish populations. A discussion of ideas to raise funds included the following suggestions. We could stock only half of the lakes each year to reduce the order, or simply reduce the number of Muskies we purchase each year. We could put a donation jar on the counter at the Village Hall or add a donation feature to our website.

- **Lake Reports**

Waterford – Ken reported that the water temp has dropped to 34°F and the ice is 10” thick. Ice fishermen have been on the lake but the fish appear to be inactive. The length of snow cover blocking light penetration is a concern. Deer and small animal tracks are visible all over the lake. A large group was ice fishing on Lake Waterford Saturday morning the 16<sup>th</sup>. A couple residents who attend a local church brought a group of children in their Pioneers program with some fathers for a couple hours of ice fishing. It was good to see fathers and children enjoying themselves.

Linden – No report

Potomac – Bob did not have anything of note to report.

Springledge – Tom did not have anything of note to report.

**VII. Staff Reports and Future Agenda Items**

None

**VIII. Public Participation**

Three residents attended the meeting and joined in the questioning and discussions: Dan and Terry Patch, 747 Federal Pkwy and Dean Parkman, 689 Federal Pkwy.

**IX. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Kathy to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jim O. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Georgen, Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 16, 2010**

