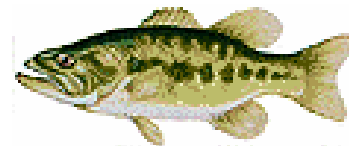




**Lakes Commission Meeting  
March 16, 2010  
7:30 p.m.**



<b>Bob Blameuser</b>	Lake Potomac	<b>Greg Koenig</b>	Village at Large
<b>Jim Cousineau</b>	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	Renee Metzelaar	Village Trustee
<b>Glenn Green</b>	Village at Large	Jim Stout	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 January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. Glenn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. It was seconded by Jim O. The motion carried unanimously.

**IV. Communications and Correspondence**

- Ken received personal communication that large crappie were being caught on Lake Linden with tip-ups and bait fish.
- Brown areas were reported on the Lake Potomac ice and are believed to be caused by humic debris and conditions common in shallow, sediment rich lakes that experience heavy, long term ice and snow coverage. Emails from Mike Adam, Sr. biologist, LCHD LMU; Lyle Erickson, McCloud Aquatic Services and Vic Santucci, fisheries biologist IDNR all concurred. Kathy noted that she saw a similar brown area on Lake Linden.
- Proposal was received from Organic Sediment Removal Systems (OSRS) – Rich Kohutko.

**V. Old Business**

Lake Potomac:

1. Rich Kohutko, president of OSRS gave a more complete presentation of how his sediment removal system would be used to remove sediment from the bottom of Lake Potomac.

His technique removes sediment with minimal disturbance to the water and will not remove the aquatic animals (fish, turtles, frogs, etc). He can target specific areas and depths. The sediment is loaded into large pillows and left to dry out on the shore. The pillows seal as the water drains, so rain will not penetrate to rehydrate the sediment.

The pillows, which come in different sizes, can be used to create a berm by setting the pillows in place and covering them with topsoil and seed. They will be secured so

they will not roll or move. Alternatively, the dried sediment can be used by residents or it can be hauled away. Rich said it cost about \$12,000 to haul away about 8000 – 9000 cubic yards. He walked the commission through the various options of his proposal and answered numerous questions helping us to understand the details of his estimates.

He estimated it would take two summers to remove sediment from the entire lake. Discussion continued about funding this project. Kathy reported that the EPA and IDNR grants will not support this type of project. Ken gave her more information to investigate on grants.

2. Non-resident lake usage: Ken suggested a way to minimize watercraft sticker abuse since there are no funds for the issuance of new stickers by a simple form to sign when stickers are issued. He suggested that we add a fine if any abuse is reported. The commissioners agreed to have Ken revise the form without a fine.

## VI. New Business

1. SpringFest is March 27-28 and we will be in booth 2002. Booth set up will be on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Literature and handouts for the booth: Jim C inventoried our literature - he and Tom have ordered more of the literature we need to cover both the SpringFest and Earth Day booths. Ken updated our LLC brochure and it was reviewed – no changes were suggested. A single sheet handout was also reviewed for content. Jim C suggested that Ken add the handout from the parade onto the back of it, which all commissioners agreed was a good idea.

The volunteer schedules for both SpringFest and Earth Day booths was circulated and commissioners signed up for their time slots.

2. Earth Day is April 24. Booth set up will begin on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Jim C will supervise our fishing pond again this year. He is looking for prizes, including fishing tackle packages like we had last year. Vendors are not as generous with their merchandise this year in light of the current economy.
3. Budget proposal review: no additions or changes were made to the proposed budget items supplied with the agenda packet.
4. McCloud Aquatic Services contract: We received and reviewed the quote. We discussed the 6 ppb Sonar bump that Lyle has been doing on Lake Waterford, where he tests the water and adds Sonar to maintain that level of herbicide as needed. Several commissioners thought he was doing that on other lakes as well. We agreed to have him do the bump on Linden and Potomac this year if advisable. Ken will contact Lyle about it.
5. Lake Reports  
Waterford – The water temperature under the ice is up to 38°F already. The lake should open shortly. The underwater amount of algae appears to be minimal compared to last year.

Linden – Ice is breaking up and a brown patch was seen in the ice near the volleyball court at Linden’s Landing. There is a lot of algae visible around the edges of the ice.

Potomac – The brown patches on the ice were a concern to some residents. Ice had already started melting and no winter fish kill has been detected yet.

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

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

Jim C noted that he met a trapper who is willing to help residents with animal issues. Ken reminded us that if we trap an animal that is violating an ordinance (e.g. free roaming cats) we should call the Village Police who in turn will contact the LCHD animal control.

**VIII. Public Participation**

Two students from College of Lake County attended: Erik Frents and Chrisi Barnard.

**IX. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Glenn to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jim C. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Georgen, Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 18, 2010**

