

## **Kimble Lake Improvement District [KLID] Board Minutes**

**Date:** Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Time:** 9:00-10:30am.

**Meeting Place:** Ideal Township Community Center

**Board Members Present:** Steve Erickson, Nels Johnson, Larry Knutson, Ellen Miller, Rick Beyer, Richard Bredehoft, and Ric Rowe. Gary Schwartz and Jane Maas were unable to attend.

**President, Steve Erickson,** called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

### **Review and approval of the October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 minutes:**

The minutes were approved following a motion by Larry Knutson and a second by Nels Johnson.

### **Treasurer's report:**

The KLID recently received the KLID financial report from the Crow Wing County's auditor's dept. The report showed LID assessment revenue of \$18,811.91, expenses of \$8,583.15 and a cash balance of \$10,228.76 as of 12/31/2009. Steve Erickson explained to the KLID Board that the assessment revenue was about \$1,200 short of projections. In talking to the county it was explained that the shortage was the result of unpaid real estate taxes by some of the Kimble Lake property owners. The shortage will eventually be collected as people pay their taxes. The financial report was approved after a motion to accept was made by Rick Beyer and seconded by Dick Bredehoft.

### **Crow Wing County LID Policies:**

Policies recently implemented by Crow Wing County's board of commissioners were handed out to the KLID board members for review. Included in the policies is an administrative fee escrow requirement to Crow Wing County, a requirement to have liability insurance coverage naming Crow Wing County as an additional insured, a sunset provision requiring LIDs to reapply every five years and a ballot procedure for the election of new directors. We have also received a check list of procedures and things to do to keep the KLID in compliance. Mitch Brinks will be our Crow Wing County contact person.

### **Ron Duy Service Extension for 2011 and 2012:**

The three year service agreement that Ron Duy had submitted to us for KLID board consideration last fall was not accepted as presented. The KLID Board rejected the three year option because of language that was not favorable to the KLID. Steve Erickson was given the authority to pursue a one year agreement with Ron Duy or a multiple year agreement that provided more protection to the Kimble Lake property owners. Ron Duy made the requested language changes to his agreement, which Steve Erickson signed for service during the summer of 2010. Ron Duy also provided an addendum for services in 2011 and 2012 at 2010 pricing, if the KLID board approved the signing of the addendum

by May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Signing the addendum was approved after a motion was made by Rick Beyer and seconded by Larry Knutson.

**Annual Meeting Notice:**

The annual meeting notices for the KLID annual meeting were mailed as required. The annual meeting information was delivered to the Lake Country Echo to be included in the paper as a public service message. Included with the meeting notice was a ballot for the election of KLID Board members. The ballots will not be opened until just prior to the annual meeting. Multiple members of the KLID Board will be present to count the ballots.

**Director Ballot and Terms:**

The KLID is required by Crow Wing County to have nine board members. Following the election of board members at the KLID annual meeting the terms of the board members will be determined at the fall KLID board meeting.

**The 2011 KLID budget and property assessment:**

A proposed Kimble Lake Improvement District budget for 2011 was reviewed by the board. The budget included an estimated cash balance of \$12,000 on January 1, 2011, 2011 LID tax assessments of \$11,000, and estimated 2011 expenses of \$11,000. The budget assumed an assessment of \$110/ property, which would leave a year end cash balance of about \$12,000. The discussion of the proposed budget included the importance of conservatively managing the funds of the LID and maintaining adequate reserves. It was also noted that the estimate for insurance needed to be increased to what we paid in 2009. A motion to accept the proposed budget with the insurance correction and the proposed assessment of \$110/property was made by Dick Bredehoft and seconded by Rick Beyer. The motion passed.

**Grants available for the control of invasive species:**

Nels Johnson noted that grants available from the DNR often required that a lake management plan be part of the application process. A lake management plan would require both an upfront financial and time commitment that we might not be ready to commit to. A discussion also followed on the consequences of the grant ending. No specific action was taken regarding grants.

**Other Business:**

Steve Erickson mentioned that the DNR has been rewriting the lake vegetation control procedures and fee structure for obtaining permits for controlling lake vegetation. Lake associations and LIDs have been given favorable consideration when they are applying for permits to control invasive species. If approved the changes to the regulations will waive permit fees for our LID, which could save us \$750/year.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:30 following a motion by Nels Johnson which was seconded by Larry Knutson.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Miller and Steve Erickson for Jane Maas