

**LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT (LMCD)
SAVE THE LAKE COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

7:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 16, 2014
LMCD Office, 5341 Maywood Road, Suite 200, Mound, MN 55364

Present: Dan Baasen, LMCD Board- Wayzata; Gregg Thomas, LMCD Board- Tonka Bay; Tom Skramstad; Jay Soule; Lisa Whalen; Greg Nybeck, LMCD Executive Director.

Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Minutes/Meeting Report

The following were approved:

1. 7/15/14 Save the Lake Committee Meeting minutes;
2. 8/12/14 Save the Lake Committee Meeting Report (Skramstad abstained); and
3. 9/30/14 Save the Lake Committee Meeting minutes.

The draft minutes prepared for 11/18/14 were not approved due to the lack of a quorum (needs to be changed to a Meeting report).

Allocation of 2015 Save the Lake Funds

A. 2015 Proposals: The committee considered the following three proposals (\$50,144 available per approved policy):

<u>Project #</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Proposed Project/Project Summary</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
1	Hennepin County Environmental Services	Partial funding of electronic changeable message sign (Spring Park public access)	\$12,300
2	Hennepin County Sheriff's Office	Partial funding of added law enforcement assigned to Lake Minnetonka	\$52,164
3	Mound Fire Department	Purchase of public safety equipment	\$4,650

After a lengthy discussion, the consensus of the committee was as follows:

- Hennepin County Environmental Services- Recommend approval by the LMCD Board of Directors (the amount of funding to be determined). Nybeck was directed to invite a representative from Hennepin County and the City of Spring Park to the next committee meeting to further discuss it and answer committee questions.
- Hennepin County Sheriff's Office- Table the proposal to allow for: 1) further details to be provided on the proposed project, 2) further discussion at the scheduled annual LMCD meeting with the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office on January 28th, and 3) further discussion at a future Save the Lake Committee meeting.
- Mound Fire Department- Recommend LMCD Board approval for funding of \$4,650.

B. 2015 LMCD Projects: The committee had a lengthy discussion of potential 2015 projects to be funded by Save the Lake. A summary of this discussion (with no recommendations) was as follows:

- Annual Save the Lake Recognition Banquet Dinner:
 1. Scheduled for 3/19/15 at Lafayette Club;
 2. Continued support on making changes to the planned program; and
 3. There is a need for the sub-committee to meet and further refine possible changes.
- Boater Safety Education Courses:
 1. Continue in 2015 (as discussed at the November meeting); and
 2. Further details need to be refined (including funds budgeted).
- Solar-Light Program:
 1. Continue in 2015 (primarily for replacement of existing red and green lights);
 2. Expansion of solar-lights to other types of buoys, such as identifying danger areas with white solar lights (including past discussion by the LMCD Public Safety Committee on this idea); and
 3. Further details need to be refined (in particular funds budgeted).

Next Meeting

The next Save the Lake Committee Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 13th, at 7:30 a.m. in the LMCD office.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Nybeck
Executive Director