

**HALF MOON LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - JUNE 8, 1996**

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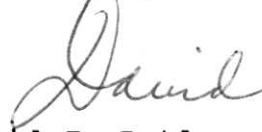
The board discussed the following items:

1. Mary Martha Butler volunteered to act as chairperson of the summer picnic. The board decided to hold a picnic in conjunction with the annual meeting on August 24 immediately following the meeting at the public park. The board agreed to finance the rental of a tent for the picnic.
2. It was decided that no spring meeting be held in 1996.
3. The annual meeting was set for August 24, 1996. Notice must be mailed to members at least 10 days prior to the meeting and the notice of the meeting published twice with the first publication at least 15 days prior to the meeting. The notice must state the time and place of the meeting, names of the nominated new board members, a summary of the budget and any other business that is going to come before the meeting.
4. The board discussed the fact that the terms of Bev Hoium and Dana Gaultier will expire at the annual meeting. Discussion was held concerning nominees. It was recommended we talk to Shiela Waldoch about serving as a board member.
5. Dave Butler presented a fishing report with information he had gathered from the DNR.
6. It was decided to send \$50 to help finance the publicity for the Polk-St. Croix county lakes fair to be held Saturday, July 20 at Cedar Lake.
7. Discussion was held concerning the installation of the overflow board in the dam. The board had been taken out by someone unknown and a new 12 inch board had been installed. This board has now been taken out and a new 6 inch board has been re-inserted. Discussion was held concerning creating a way to lock the board in place. Sherm Gardner has been meeting with Kenny Kellogg on this issue.
8. David Butler reported he had a conversation with Bruce Christensen, chairman of the Milltown Township, concerning 2

Conservation Department, DNR and Polk County. They discussed the administration of the current wetlands laws. I think all of us went away with the impression that the current wetlands laws go quite a ways in protecting the current wetland areas but there are enough exceptions and inconsistencies that we cannot rely on those laws to do the protecting of our areas around the lake that we are talking about. The general feeling was that we need to pursue follow through with our acquisition plans and not be content to rely on the wetland laws.

Our spring meeting of members has been set for Saturday, June 10. I would like to have the Board meet some time before then. We might consider some time the end of May. Art McMahon will be coming up some time the end of May so if everyone was at the lake the last weekend of May, we might meet then. Sherm Gardner gets down to the cities on Mondays so we could consider meeting on a Monday noon some time in May. We can take a look at our various options.

With best personal regards,



David J. Butler

DJB:dka
Enclosure
cc: Gordie Mommsen

HALF MOON LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 8, 1996

Checking account # 2201543

Balance on hand 8-10-95	\$971.78
Income:	
Interest: 11.24	
Other: 539.00	
Expenses: 705.53	
Balance on hand 5-12-96	\$816.49

500.00 - Savings acct.
39.00 - picnic

Savings Account #3200526

Balance on hand 8-10-95	\$8,072.56
Income:	
Interest: 151.87	
Other: 6,525.25	
<i>- Taxes</i>	
Expenses: Disbursements	
500.00 Transfer to #2201543	
5,000.00 September CD	
5,000.00 April CD	
Balance on hand 5-12-96	\$4,249.68

CD's - 10,000

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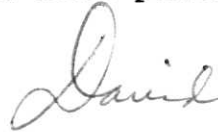
Dear Bev:

We had a good meeting on July 13. We laid out some parameters for further work on our lake grant program.

I am enclosing a copy of the minutes of the June 8, 1996 meeting and the July 13, 1996 meeting for your minute book.

If I don't see you before, I will see you at the annual meeting on August 24. We will not have another board meeting before that time.

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issues: the dam and the possibility of imposing a speed limit on boats on the lake. He said people have been complaining to the board about the excessive speed of a few boats on the lake. He said they are reviewing the matter. He said things have been worked out concerning the continuation of handling the board and the dam. Ken Kellogg has agreed to continue removing the board in the fall and re-inserting it in the spring.

9. David Butler reviewed the arrangement he had made with the Polk Burnett County Electric Co-op concerning the mailing out of the newsletter with the understanding that they could insert a one-page ad in the newsletter.
10. Sherm Gardner reported that he is continuing with the lake testing.
11. The board agreed to pay the amount required to re-instate our membership in the Polk County Association of Lakes.
12. Sherm Gardner reported that there are no beavers in Harder Creek north of the lake so we don't have any problem at the present time.
13. Dave Butler reported on the prospects of Polk County adopting a shore land management ordinance.
14. It was agreed that the next board of directors meeting be held on July 13, 1996, 10:00 a.m. at the cabin of David and Mary Martha Butler. It was agreed that at the next meeting we will take up the matter of the Lake Planning Grant Study II.

Respectfully submitted,

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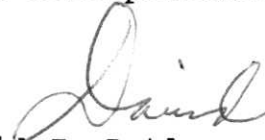
Re: Half Moon Lake

Dear Bev:

We revised the By-laws of the Half Moon Lake District at the August 28, 1994 meeting to enlarge the board from 3 members to 5 members. I have put together a revised set of the By-laws. Will you please sign them as secretary, put one copy in the minute book and return one copy to me. Thank you.

I misspelled the name of Dana Gauthier on the minutes of the July 13 meeting so the minutes should be corrected. Enclosed are corrected minutes.

With best personal regards,



David J. Butler

DJB:dka
Enclosures

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - August 24, 1996**

Those present: David Butler, Sherm Gardner, Art McMahon, Sheila Waldock and Dana Gauthier.

The board met immediately following the annual meeting of electors at the public beach pavilion.

The meeting was called to order by David Butler. The election of officers was held and the following persons were elected for the year: David Butler, chairman; Art McMahon, treasurer; Sheila Waldock, secretary.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The president was asked to contact the members about setting a date for the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David Butler, acting secretary

Half Moon Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District
Annual Meeting

August 24, 1996 10:30 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by chairperson, David Butler.

He explained the purpose of the meeting was to elect new directors and adopt a budget for next year.

New members on the lake were introduced and also visitors attending the meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Art McMahon gave the treasurer's report. (the financial statement is attached) The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Election of directors: There are five directors. Two directors came up for re-election this year. Bev. Hoiium and Dana Gautier. Bev. elected not to run again and Dana elected to run for another three years. The board nominated Sheila Waldoch to replace Bev's position. David asked for any other nominations from the floor. It was moved nominations be closed.

Sherm Gardner gave a report on the water testing of the lake. Sherm has been doing this for many years but he would not say how many. He takes a test once a month around the 15th. Half Moon Lake is one of the finest lakes in the area next to Deer Lake. First he takes the depth for water clarity. The lake is averaging 14 to 16 feet clarity. Sherm demonstrated how he takes the water clarity and water temperature going down sixty feet. The water now is in really good shape. The phosphorus level is twelve which is really good. He reminded us if we must fertilize leave the phosphorus alone and use nitrogen. Continue with the buffer zone going around the lake. We have a northern milfoil in the lake which is no problem. We do not have any eurasion milfoil yet. There are two lakes in the area that have it in the lake. They are Beaver Dam in Cumberland and Mills in St Croix county.

The grant study was discussed. We have gotten approval from the state since last year. The state is giving \$10,000 and the association \$3,500. At this point we are not going to spend all of it. The money is available and the board is working on it. First step was to re-identify the areas we are talking about. We have a 100 year plan to maintain the lake as it is. A map was held up to show the areas which are priority. Harder Creek is the priority area. This area is owned by Kaiser and McClain. Tamarac Bay is a real bird sanctuary and hopefully will never be developed.

From the public area on down there two bog areas which are privately owned. The bogs are owned by Hoiums/Ruschoffs, Misners and Baldwins. The goal is to be the least restrictive as possible and still meet the goal of seeing that the area is preserved. Steve and Bob McMahon have walked the bog and thanked the owners for giving them permission to do so. They gave a report on the many beautiful plants such as picture plants, sundies and 5 kinds of orchids. Also, there are alot of cranberry plants. It's like stepping back 10,000 years in time. The land owners were complimented for being very good land owners in having preserved those areas.

David said there are many options to protect these areas. One option is for the association to build up a fund so if the property comes available we'll have some money available to buy fee titles or easements to the property. We are still in the preliminary stages. Herb and Fern Baldwin, owner of one of the bog areas said the keeping of these places is a concern of theirs also. They would like to see a plan how to preserve the land. They, as land owners have a greater commitment to the how. David said we as a board do not really have the answers to alot of these questions. Should we go out and hire experts or should we take our time and try to acquire all of this knowledge. The board is in the middle. It was suggested from the floor we put together a group of people who have interest and knowledge along with the DNR to help us to organize, evaluate and set forth the policies. David thought having a committee for this might be a good idea. It was questioned from the floor if there is a schedule. The grant is to be done in a year. The goal is to have a report by Feb. 1, 1997.

Budget approval: \$1000 for miscellaneous.
\$4000 for land acquisition.

David suggested we put money aside each year so if property comes up for sale we will have the money available. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the budget. The motion was approved.

Martha McMahon gave the loon report: It was not as good this year as in previous years. When we had the terrible rain storm in the spring and the lake level went up, the water went over the loons nest. The eggs (there were 2 in the nest) did not survive. Also, we have a sick loon on the lake this year. There is not much that can be done about it. The most common cause of loon illness is ingesting lead sinkers.

Sherm gave a report on the Dam. There is suppose to be a 6" board put in at the dam by Kenny Kellogg. Somebody put a 12" board this year with do not remove written on it. This brought the lake level way up. Kenny Kellogg is the only one authorized to put the board in. The dam was established by the DNR over 20 years ago.

There was a discussion as to when the annual meeting should be

held next year. Should we have a single meeting with a picnic in the middle of July or have the same time in August. A show of hands indicated the vote was even. The board will decide when to have the meeting. We will have the picnic following the meeting.

Mary Martha Butler gave a report on the picnic. She encouraged people to sign up to help next year. If we get enough people to work each person can take one job and it makes it easy for everyone.

She thanked the businesses and people who helped and donated this year. Holiday Foods in Milltown donated the hot dogs, buns and relishes. Milltown Hardware donated the plastic forks, knives and spoons. Needhams donated the beer and water.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Bev. Hoiium, secretary

560-0055

Wayne's IGA - hot dogs, buns & condiments

Attendees at annual meeting - Aug. 24, 1986.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Will help w/ 97 picnic.</u>
BUCK KNAPP	1931 OSCAR LN. BALDWIN, WI.	825-2527	YES
BOB BANK	1987 124th St. Milltown	825-3470	" "
BOB POTTER	1336-200 th Ave	825-4286	
RITA POTTER	" "	" "	
Chuck & Jan McKee	1962 Breezy Bay Rd	825-3615	
CRAIG & Dawn Johnson	1581 Sharon Dr., N. Mankato	(507) 386-0478	
HERB & FERN BALDWIN	4196 W. 185 JORDAN, MN BREEZY BAY RD.	(612) 492-2880	
<u>Alant</u> Leanne MacLin	715 Goodrich Av St Paul, MN 55105	612-222-7281	children - need to be taken care of
Jim Smith	1925 128th St - Bl.	825-2560	
Dave & Nancy Heedler		825-3427	
Ellen & David Knighton	3846 Zenith Ave So Mpls.		Yes
Gaurie Hemmings	2705 Fox Ridge Rd. 55449		
Grace Hemmings	1249 City Rd. S. Milltown		
Suzie Kastner	1295 City Rd. G Milltown		
Jay & Jeanne Clive	3801 Xylon Ave. N. New Hope LAKE	825-4320	
Bob & Barb Neal	6808 Dakota Trl Edina MN 55439	825-4466	
Kathy Croes	353 W Church	(715) 425-8807	
Nate Croes	River Falls S, WI		NO
Jeremy Croes	54022		
Jake Croes			
Aaron Croes			

Sue Schneider would help in July.

NAME

Richard
Rick & Ben Hoover

Art & Martha McMahon

Erin Siggle

Rick Suerhoff

Heaven Suerhoff

Pat McMahon

Steve Walker

Cory Suerhoff

Carl & Rose Thompson

Helen & Steve Meleng

Bob McBurn

Mrs. Cathy Bratek

Jim & Jane Carlson

Doyle & Pam Bolins

Cherie & Joe Greer

~~Robert & Sharon Suerhoff~~

Dee and Sergio Klatman

Bob and Betty Elm

John and Carol McManera

Dana & Barbara Town

Dana Cauffman

Stan Muzyn

Jim Muzyn

Warren Smallidge

Tom & Rose

Joann Lamon

Rian and Brenda Anderson

Ken & Sheila Waldock

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Next to the Marina
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*In Ledger - Aug 7 + 14
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*Mailed to all
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ANNUAL PICNIC

Saturday • August 24, 1996 • 12 Noon
at the

Half Moon Lake Public Beach

(In case of *rain* meet at the VFW, Hwy. 46)

FREE - Hot Dogs and Beverages

Bring a Dessert or Side Dish

Tableware Provided

Games for the Kids !

Bring a Lawn Chair

FUN for EVERYONE !!!



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SIX MONTH C Ds:

September 1995	\$5,000
April 1996	\$5,000
	10,000

**HALF MOON LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - JUNE 8, 1996**

Those present: David Butler, Sherm Gardner, Art McMahon and Gordon Mommsen as chairman of the wetlands committee.

The board met at the cabin of David Butler on Half Moon Lake. The meeting was called to order by president, David Butler.

The minutes of the last board meeting were not available. The treasurer's report was given by Art McMahon.

The board discussed the following items:

1. Mary Martha Butler volunteered to act as chairperson of the summer picnic. The board decided to hold a picnic in conjunction with the annual meeting on August 24 immediately following the meeting at the public park. The board agreed to finance the rental of a tent for the picnic.
2. It was decided that no spring meeting be held in 1996.
3. The annual meeting was set for August 24, 1996. Notice must be mailed to members at least 10 days prior to the meeting and the notice of the meeting published twice with the first publication at least 15 days prior to the meeting. The notice must state the time and place of the meeting, names of the nominated new board members, a summary of the budget and any other business that is going to come before the meeting.
4. The board discussed the fact that the terms of Bev Hoium and Dana Gaultier will expire at the annual meeting. Discussion was held concerning nominees. It was recommended we talk to Shiela Waldoch about serving as a board member.
5. Dave Butler presented a fishing report with information he had gathered from the DNR.
6. It was decided to send \$50 to help finance the publicity for the Polk-St. Croix county lakes fair to be held Saturday, July 20 at Cedar Lake.
7. Discussion was held concerning the installation of the overflow board in the dam. The board had been taken out by someone unknown and a new 12 inch board had been installed. This board has now been taken out and a new 6 inch board has been re-inserted. Discussion was held concerning creating a way to lock the board in place. Sherm Gardner has been meeting with Kenny Kellogg on this issue.
8. David Butler reported he had a conversation with Bruce Christensen, chairman of the Milltown Township, concerning 2

issues: the dam and the possibility of imposing a speed limit on boats on the lake. He said people have been complaining to the board about the excessive speed of a few boats on the lake. He said they are reviewing the matter. He said things have been worked out concerning the continuation of handling the board and the dam. Ken Kellogg has agreed to continue removing the board in the fall and re-inserting it in the spring.

9. David Butler reviewed the arrangement he had made with the Polk Burnett County Electric Co-op concerning the mailing out of the newsletter with the understanding that they could insert a one-page ad in the newsletter. *Michelle*
10. Sherm Gardner reported that he is continuing with the lake testing.
11. The board agreed to pay the amount required to re-instate our membership in the Polk County Association of Lakes.
12. Sherm Gardner reported that there are no beavers in Harder Creek north of the lake so we don't have any problem at the present time.
13. Dave Butler reported on the prospects of Polk County adopting a shore land management ordinance.
14. It was agreed that the next board of directors meeting be held on July 13, 1996, 10:00 a.m. at the cabin of David and Mary Martha Butler. It was agreed that at the next meeting we will take up the matter of the Lake Planning Grant Study II.

Respectfully submitted,

David Butler

HALF MOON LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 8, 1996

Checking account # 2201543

Balance on hand 8-10-95	\$971.78
Income:	
Interest: 11.24	
Other: 539.00	
Expenses: 705.53	
Balance on hand 5-12-96	\$816.49

*500.00 - Savings acct.
39.00 - picnic*

Savings Account #3200526

Balance on hand 8-10-95	\$8,072.56
Income:	
Interest: 151.87	
Other: 6,525.25	
Expenses: <i>Disbursements</i>	
500.00 Transfer to #2201543	
5,000.00 September CD	
5,000.00 April CD	
Balance on hand 5-12-96	\$4,249.68

Taxes

CD's - 10,000