

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
LILLY LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
April 12, 2010**

The Board of Commissioners of the Lilly Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District met at the Town Hall in New Munster on Monday, April 12, 2010, 6:00 p.m. Present were: Commissioners William Glembocki, Andrew Lois and Robert Herda. Also present: Town Clerk Sheila Siegler, Kathy Aron – Aron & Associates, Tom Kaczmarek, Linda Gissell, Gail Schoch and Roy Johnson.

Meeting notices were posted at locations specified, e-mail list received notice, posted on website and area newspapers were notified.

Chairman Glembocki called the meeting to order and opened with the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

- **Public comments –**

Gail Schoch, 7834 328th Ave., people voted for a \$52 charge in August for weed spraying. Is tavern going to be given a break on weed spraying like he gets on the taxes? She wants to be notified so she can observe the weed spraying. She said the “weed guru” said we would get a grant for the weed spraying and she thought the meeting would not have approved without the grant.

Linda Gissell, 33011 76th St. said she has a concern about voting at the Spring meeting in 2009. She represents “Citizens for Fair Taxes” and they want a fair way for voting.

Chairman Glembocki explained we will follow the state statute. He will check so information is available at the Spring meeting.

She questioned the 30 day timetable that was previously mentioned to get items on the agenda. Chairman - as long the agenda isn't printed and mailed, items could be added.

Tom Kaczmarek, 33105 76th St. asked if he was the “weed guru?” He explained he did check with the DNR and at the time of the meeting he felt the district was eligible for a grant but since then has found out there is not a grant just for weeds and the district does not meet the DNR's prequalification in order to apply for any grant. He will explain more at the Spring meeting.

Chairman Glembocki said the town sent out an e-mail in December or January that explained the town had checked with DNR and found out the exact same things that Tom Kaczmarek is stating.

- **Review proposals for the chemical treatment to control invasive weeds in Lilly Lake - 2010 – received from the following:**

- A. Lake & Pond Solutions Co.
- B. Marine Bio-Chemists
- C. Bonestroo
- D. Clarke Aquatic Services

Chairman said we sent out eight. There were some queries from a helicopter company and a lawn landscaping company that were not qualified for lakes.

Clerk said Bonestroo and Northern Environmental have merged. The board has no ties to any of the four. Kathy Aron has created a summary of the four bids.

Bids for 2,4-D Liquid at 3 ppm/acre:

1. Clark - \$475 per acre
2. Lakes & Ponds - \$512 - \$545 per acre
3. Marine Biochemists - \$431 per acre
4. Bonestroo - \$348 per acre

Bids for 2,4-D Granular at 3 ppm/acre:

1. Clark - \$610 per acre
2. Lakes & Ponds - \$655 - \$714 per acre
3. Marine Biochemists - \$851 per acre
4. Bonestroo - \$721 per acre

Some of the companies felt the 3 ppm/acre were too high. Aron said 2 ppm would likely be used. That is the standard. The bids are for comparison purposes. Discussion on liquid versus granular centered on liquid being cheaper than granular. If you plan for liquid drift, you gain from using liquid.

Andrew Lois said the only company that provided a guarantee was Marine Biochemists

who guaranteed a 70% control. They will come back at no charge if they don't meet the 70%.

Tom Kaczmarek said Lakes & Ponds did the spraying last year and they made a big impact on the weeds.

Board discussed that Bonestroo was the lowest proposal but didn't guarantee the work. Andrew Lois felt the lowest isn't always the best for the money. He felt the guarantee meant a lot.

Andrew Lois moved approval of Marine Biochemists at \$431 per acre. Robert Herda seconded. Motion carried.

Answering Tom Kaczmarek, the clerk said the lake district would apply for the DNR permit. It was not the bidder's responsibility. None of the prices included the DNR permit.

- **Reports, announcements and correspondence –**

May 15, 2010, 10 a.m. – Spring Meeting of the Lilly Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District, at the Wheatland Town Hall.

- **Review and set spring meeting agenda –**

Chairman said voting rules will be on the agenda. Also, Tom Kaczmarek will give a report on his discussion with DNR regarding the grant application process.

- **Adjournment –**

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 on a motion from Andrew Lois and second by Robert Herda.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Siegler, Town Clerk for
Andrew J. Lois, Sec'y/Treasurer