

Joint Rock Lake Committee



Meeting Minutes, February 6th, 2018, 6-7 pm Room 231, City Hall, Lake Mills

Chairperson Wes Dawson called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Wes Dawson, Bob Volenec, Glenn Zastrow & Stan Smoniewski

Others Present: Pearl Wallace-DNR Warden, Steve Fields-City Representative, and Patricia Cicero-Jefferson County Land and Water Resource Conservationist.

The agenda was accepted. January minutes were approved -Glenn motioned, Wes seconded. Notice of the meeting was posted, and was published in the Lake Mills Leader.

Correspondence and Public Comment/Questions: Pearl mentioned that feedback she has received on ice fishing has been mixed. She again stated that recent data from fish sampling is not indicating any large changes in fish numbers.

Old Business:

- A. **Lake level update - is gauge accurate? Is level at or near median?:** Patricia communicated with Warren, Dam Engineer, who indicated that the new gauge is accurate. He also indicated that training for city employees on how to upload dam data to the website has not been done.
- B. **Spill grate below dam, why was it removed?:** Warren also mentioned that access to the spill grate is restricted by the fence at the top of the enclosure. Bob will communicate with Rob Goetz about the question of whether the fences is enough of a safety measure.
- C. **Review the two lake brochures/update:** Discussion continued on further updates for the brochures. It was decided that the 'Rock Lake Recreational Rules' is currently accurate. The 'Welcome to Rock Lake' will have several changes. Wes will contact the Leader for print quantity information.
- D. **Differences in City and Town Lake ordinances (holding for city review):** Wes will communicate with Hope (Town Board Chair) to get an update and try to move the topic forward.

New Business:

- A. **Do we move no wake zone from 100' to 200' for all watercraft?:** Wes will seek Hope's input on this issue.
- B. **Open discussion of City studies on Mud Pond and Sandy Beach:** Patricia is attending the City Meeting tonight to speak at public comment. She has concerns with the erosion control proposal, but supports the stormwater improvements.

Reports:

- A. **Town:** No report
- B. **City:** Nothing further
- C. **County Staff Representative:** The fish sticks permit is coming along and we expect placement of the trees soon.
- D. **RLIA Update:** There will be a spring shorelands workshop.

Next meeting: No March Meeting. April 3rd, 2018, 6pm at City Hall.

Adjournment: Bob motioned and Glenn seconded.