



Petenwell and Castle Rock Stewards

P.O. Box 8. Arkdale. WI 54613

PACRS Meeting: 4/8/10 -- 10:00 a.m. -- at The Lure

In Attendance: Rick Georgeson, Ron Von Haden, Curtis Frost, Chris Turok, Ron Lyman, Carol Lyman, Tom Koren, Virgil Miller, Terry King, Scott Bordeau, Jim Murphy, Ann Egge, Paul Egge, Wayne Gjersvig, Denny Caneff, Darrin Johnson, Chris Murphy, Scott Provost, Matt Krueger, Reesa Evans

Rick Georgeson called the meeting to order.

- I. **Minutes of meeting for Feb. 18, 2010.** Chris Turok sent minutes out. Ron VonHaden made a motion to approve minutes as distributed. Curt Frost seconded. Motion passed.
- II. **Treasurer Report.** Curtis Frost reported on receipts and bank balance. Ron Lyman moved to approve the treasurer's report. Paul Egge seconded. Motion passed.
- III. **Web Site Update:** Ron Lyman reported that the web site has been updated, including some maintenance to the photo gallery. A bill was submitted to the treasurer for payment.
- IV. **Economic Impact Study of Water Quality.** Scott Provost gave a status update. He reported that the EPA is talking about doing an economic study that would cover a much larger geography and cost in the range of \$250,000, which they would fund. There was discussion of whether this would mean that a PACRS economic study would not be necessary since the Petenwell/Castle Rock lakes would be part of the EPA project. After considering pros and cons, Ron Von Haden moved that PACRS endorse the EPA study, but continue to pursue our local project. Curt Frost seconded the motion. Motion passed. Chris Murphy and Ron Von Haden will continue to move forward to solicit financial support from Juneau county. Adams county has already committed their support. Funding would be in conjunction with a DNR grant.
- V. **Fund-Raising Committee Report.** Chris Murphy updated the group on recent committee meetings. First, a membership drive will take place, beginning immediately and running through July. A list was distributed and members are asked to select five people on the list to contact. Members are to let Rick Georgeson know which five they have selected and keep him informed of progress. Information was distributed to assist people in making contacts and soliciting support. Denny Caneff offered a matching contribution from River Alliance: matching up to \$50 for each new member or donation obtained during the membership drive, up to a total of \$1,000. Thanks in advance to Denny and River Alliance for their support.

Also, as part of the membership drive, a "JARS ON BARS" program will be initiated. Denny Caneff offered the services of their graphic designer to create a look for the jars. Ann Egge volunteered to assist, and has photos that could be used. The jars would be placed in each of the restaurants and bars on the lakes and would promote PACRS and ask for donations.

In addition to the membership drive, funds will be solicited from Municipalities. A letter needs to be written to Adams County asking for a donation. Chris Murphy offered to take this to the next county meeting once it is written. There was also a discussion of the possibility of PACRS sponsoring Harbor Fest (which has not been held for several years). Someone from PACRS will need to attend the August Parks and Recreation meeting to collect information and report to the group on feasibility for the following year.

- VI. **Adopt a Buoy:** Reesa Evans will be managing this project, which entails volunteers taking readings every two weeks at pre-determined sites on both Petenwell and Castle Rock, to begin a scientific water monitoring process. She will conduct a training session for volunteers on May 14 and 15. Both sessions will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the Lure. (Only one session is required and



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volunteers can choose either day to participate). At the training session, logistics will be discussed and assignments will be given. Reesa will work with volunteers at each of the data readings to answer questions, assist as needed, and record data. Additional volunteers are still needed, especially for Castle Rock.

- VII. **Domtar Permit Letter:** A letter was written to the DNR asking them to move forward on resolution of the Domtar permit. It has been held up due to a dispute over allowed chlorine levels. Scott Watson will hold a conference call with several board members to discuss the status and provide an update.
- VIII. **Annual Meeting:** Rick will solicit input via e-mail to determine a date for the annual meeting. Concerns center around busy schedules as well as when we could get the highest attendance.
- IX. **Approve By-Laws:** Final revisions have been made. Curt Frost made a motion that we adopt the by-laws as amended. Carol Lyman seconded. Motion passed.
- X. **Phosphorous Hearings:** Denny Caneff reported that there is additional DNR legislation being considered that would provide standards for maximum phosphorous levels. There are a number of public hearings coming up and PACRS are encouraged to attend, or e-mail support of enactment. Opinions will be heard through the end of April.
- XI. **Other:** Suggestion was made that a membership card be created and provided to all members. This would be given in conjunction with a 'thank you' letter to all new members. Also it was suggested that a window decal be created that could be put in car windows, providing additional exposure for PACRS. Both ideas were well received and will be pursued.
- XII. **Other:** Rick reported that he had been contacted by Scott Watson and was asked to attend the Lake Leaders Institute, which is three separate 2-day training sessions. The cost is \$300. Curt Frost moved that PACRS support Rick in this venture by paying the \$300 fee. Paul Egge seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- XIII. **Next Mtg Date:** It is hoped that the appreciation plaques can be presented to Marlin Schneider and Julie Lassa at the next meeting. Rick will contact them to see if either May 13 or 18 is a date that would fit in their schedule and the date will be set based on their best availability.
- XIV. **Adjourn:** Ron Lyman moved to adjourn the meeting. Paul Egge seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Turok