



# Petenwell and Castle Rock Stewards

P.O. Box 8. Arkdale. WI 54613

PACRS Meeting  
4/8/2011 -- 10:00 a.m. at the Lure

**In Attendance:** Rick Georgeson, Ron Von Haden, Curtis Frost, Chris Turok, Virgil Miller, Scott Bordeau, Ron Lyman, Carol Lyman, Chris Murphy, Wayne Gjersvig, Gerry Ganther, Scott Provost, Gail Rollins, Paul Egge, Ann Egge, Tom Koren, Denny Caneff, and Terry King.

**Rick Georgeson** called the meeting to order.

**Meeting Minutes:** Chris Turok noted a correction to the minutes for the March meeting. It should be noted that Dave McCoullier is from U/W Madison, not U/W Stevens Point as was written in the minutes. Ron Lyman made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Carol Lyman seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Curt Frost provided the financial report. In receipt via mail since the last meeting was a \$50 membership renewal from Carlson's Rustic Ridge, a donation from Archer Park Community Association for \$550 and a cash donation from Ann & Paul Egge of \$20 for a total amount to be deposited of \$620. Ron Von Haden moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved. Scott Bordeau seconded the motion. Motion passed. Curt also reported that we have received notification of approval for our 501(c)3 non-profit status. It was noted that it is 12 months from the date of approval before the organization is eligible to apply for grants. Approval date was March 10, 2011. Curt's effort to persevere, and get this process completed, is to be commended.

**Web-site Update:** Ron Lyman stated that the water monitoring results have been put on the web site along with the radio news spot that referred to the Pontoons and Politics event.

**Speaking with Legislators:** Denny Caneff discussed the process and offered the assistance of Lori Grant, to work with us. After discussion, it was agreed that three date options be presented to the four legislators who represent both sides of the lakes inviting them to meet with us. The date options are April 25, 29 or 30. Rick Georgeson will contact Scott Krug and Julie Lassa. Ron VonHaden will extend the invitation to Ed Brooks and Dale Schultz. Ron has already met with Ed Brooks and presented him with a welcome/introductory letter and an honorary membership card. He will continue to try to get together with the others as their schedules allow. Making contacts with legislators is even more critical in light of budget reductions, as was expressed by both Chris Murphy and Scott Provost. Maintaining the same services with greatly reduced financial resources will be a challenge.

**Governor's Conference on Tourism:** Rick Georgeson attended this conference and said it was very worthwhile. Governor Scott Walker spoke on attracting tourists to our state and used many positive phrases such as "Come to Wisconsin... Not Orlando!" He said "Tourism is Economic Development". The focus was on the economic impact of tourism and the money it brings to the state.

**UWSP Symposium:** Dean Thomas, College of Natural Resources, UW-Stevens Point, and also a member of Natural Resource Board, delivered the welcoming address. Rick Georgeson and Curt Frost represented PACRS for this event and felt it was a great success. Rick did a presentation to the group on behalf of PACRS which, according to those in attendance, was professional and well organized. In addition, Scott Provost, Water Resources Management Specialist, presented Blue-Green Algae Concerns about Human Health and Habitat. Sessions of this type are valuable in spreading the message of the



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blue-green algae concerns and helping to get people educated on the causes and hopefully future solutions. Scott Watson, Central Wisconsin Basin Supervisor, Wisconsin Dept. Natural Resources, presented a Historical Perspective of Water Quality in the Wisconsin River. The event was well attended with over 100 participants registered.

**Wisconsin Lakes Conference:** Rick Georgeson and Reesa Evans have been asked to present at this year's Wisconsin Lakes Conference in Green Bay, April 12, 13, & 14. Their presentation will include information on how the PACRS was formed and will highlight the strong partnerships we have maintained with agencies within our organization. Curt Frost has prepared information on the procedure to attain 501(c)3 status which will be explained by Reesa.

**PACRS Fliers:** It was pointed out that we are low on PACRS fliers and we should get an additional supply. After discussion, the following changes are to be made before re-printing.

1. Names of officers/board members not be listed, but provide the web site as a reference point. This keeps the fliers from becoming out-of-date when changes take place.
2. Rather than keep the box # that is currently used, it was decided to have mail come to the Lure providing easy access for pick-up.
3. It should be listed somewhere that PACRS is a non-profit status organization
4. Photos should be updated, including those with Secchi Discs & microscopes for water monitoring
5. Consider printing on recycled paper and making note of that on the brochure

**OTHER:** Chris Murphy mentioned that there are two new people in the Public Health area who are enthusiastic and might be good individuals to meet with. Chris will meet with them and invite them to come to a meeting.

**Pontoons & Politics:** A tentative date was set for Friday, August 19, 2011 with the regular PACRS meeting at 10:00 and the Pontoons & Politics Event beginning at 1:00. Hopefully providing plenty of lead time will enable more legislators to be available to attend.

**Economic Impact Study:** Denny Caneff will write up a summary of options and provide information for discussion at the next meeting.

**Water Monitoring Training Session:** Reminder that the training session for the water monitoring volunteers will be held on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 at the Lure. Reesa Evans has sent out information regarding the microscopes. Any that are in people's possession should be brought to this training session so we can determine where they will be located for the upcoming season. There was a reminder that we would like to add some locations such as swimming beaches to the sites that were monitored last year.

Tom Koren made note that there is still discussion of getting some presence on the Mike Keys Fishing Show. He will continue to pursue this opportunity.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be **Friday, May 6**, at 10:30 a.m. at the Lure. This will be in conjunction with the Water Monitoring Training Session that begins at 9:00

Gerry Ganther moved to adjourn, Curt Frost seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chris Turok  
Secretary

**Mission Statement:** To coordinate and facilitate a diverse group of people focused on implementing an action plan to improve water quality and the fishery of Pettenwell and Castle Rock Flowages.

**Steering Committee Members:**

Barb Baker	Castle Rock/Petenwell Lake Assoc.	608-847-1904	Tom Koren	Business Owner – Pettenwell	715-325-6555
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