

**Village of Third Lake  
Lakes Commission  
Minutes  
July 30, 2007**

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Morthorst at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Physically Present:** DeMay, DeLacluyse, Janik, Morthorst, Rieth and Rohrer

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Village Clerk Beggan

3. Approval of Minutes of June 25, 2007.

Motion by Rieth seconded by Morthorst to approve the of minutes of June 25, 2007

Voice Vote: All Ayes, No Nays

**MOTION CARRIED**

4. Open to the Floor –

Chairman Morthorst introduced Greg Williams, 4 Lighthouse Lane. Mr. Williams is interested in becoming a Lakes Commissioner.

5. Discussion

A. Druce Lake Core Samples

Chairman Morthorst reported that he found an ad in one of the local newspapers. Someone was selling pond seaweed for \$125. The seller is in Antioch and has 18 hundred pounds of seaweed for gardens lawns etc. Mr. Morthorst said that is an idea that might work with Druce Lake.

Chairman Morthorst suggested that Lakes Commission approach the Board for permits to dredge the material in Druce Lake. He said that the \$500,000 that was quoted to do the work is far too much. He said that he did some research regarding companies that sell dredging equipment and found, as a sample, the Piranha Company who sells Piranha Mini Dredges. (See attached)

**Chairman Morthorst said that he thought that this is one way to bypass the Village liability on this issue. If the equipment could be identified and then purchased by a rental company, the residents that wanted to dredge could rent the equipment. The problem would be the disposal of the material that is dredged.**

**Chairman Morthorst asked for volunteers to check into the equipment and call companies. He said that checking into what the companies have to offer and whether their equipment could do the work would be a step forward.**

**Commissioner Rohrer stated that he thought that the first step should be contacting the homeowners that would be affected and see whether they want to do this work.**

**Commissioner Rieth stated that five (5) of her neighbors want the muck/silt removed.**

**Commissioner DeLacluyse suggested doing the work in stages.**

**Commissioner Rohrer asked whether the Village would buy the equipment.**

**Commissioner Rieth questioned the out come of the meeting that the Village Engineer had with Stormwater Management regarding grant money that might help with the cost.**

**Village Clerk Beggan stated that, to her knowledge, the meeting has not happened. She will check on the matter.**

**Commissioner DeLacluyse questioned whether residents would need permits to dredge.**

**Chairman Morthorst said that they would and asked that the information needed to apply for permits from the Army Corp and Stormwater Management be included in the August Lakes Commission packets.**

## **B. Lake Front Property**

**Chairman Morthorst explained that the lake front property, on the Sunshine side of Third Lake is Village property. He said that each year the water and ice erosion takes more and more of the land. He said that some of the residents have had seawalls put in but he is reluctant to unless he owns the property. He wants the Village to sell the property to the residents.**

Commissioner Rohrer stated that if a resident sold his/her property could a stipulation be put in the contract that would require the new owner to buy the property as lake front instead of lake view? Chairman Morthorst would like the Board to request a letter from the assessor addressing the potential impact buying the property would have on each resident.

Commissioner Janik questioned what would happen if some residents bought the property in front of their homes and some didn't.

**C. Boating Safety/Boat Launch Keys**

Village Clerk Beggan reported that the Village has had more complaints this year than any other regarding boating on Third Lake. She said that people have been complaining about the recklessness of some boaters when traveling around the lake. They do not follow the safety guidelines that the Village hands out with each boat sticker. Adults as well as children are to blame. She said residents are lending their keys for both boat launches to friends and relatives. They then come in and buy another one because they don't have a key. She asked the Commissioners whether they had any ideas for stopping this kind of abuse.

Chairman Morthorst suggested giving the boaters in Linden Lane boat stickers so that they can be identified by the Marine Patrol. He also suggested that residents instruct invited guests in what the rules and regulations are for boating on Third Lake before letting them on the lake.

Commissioner Janik suggested calling DNR and requesting a list of all registered boats in Third Lake and comparing it to the Village boat list.

**6. Open to the Floor – None**

**7. Adjournment**

Motion by Janik seconded by Rieth to adjourn the Lakes Commission Meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
*Patricia Beggan*  
Patricia Beggan  
Village Clerk

