LAKES COMMITTEE  
May 13, 2015

Meeting Summary

- The decision has been made for the lake fee lock boxes to be built in-house due to the high cost for commercial boxes.
- Bob Trowbridge will chair a task group to review procedures and rules for enforcing lake safety and revenue sources.
- Algae on the bottom of Lake Coronado has become a big problem. Jason agreed to have Brad assess the problem and propose a solution.
- Highlights of the electroshocking fish census were discussed. Most of the smaller lakes have been completed.
- Water quality testing has been completed on all lakes and the results will be compiled after the electroshocking project is finished.
- Changes in the lake dredging schedule were discussed. Staff would prefer to dredge one lake per year when a large lake is involved. Peter Trabant will make an updated dredging schedule for distribution.
- Discussion of the 2016 budget and the 5-Year Plan took place.

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Charles Hartmann.

Safety Briefing: Charles Hartmann conducted a safety briefing, asking for volunteers for specific safety assignments.

Members in Attendance: Charles Hartmann, Chairman; Peter Trabant, Bob Trowbridge, Rob Bowers, George Maxey, Len Dombrowski, and Don Petersen.

Members Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Harv Shelton, Board President; John Weidert, Board Liaison; Jason Temple, Public Works; George Bollier, GAC; Jeff Meek, Village Voice; Don Langston, Ex-Officio; Bob Cunningham, Public Works Committee; Maxine Klein and Joanne Pegler, guests.

Approval of Minutes: Charles Hartmann asked for approval of the April 8, 2015 minutes. They were unanimously approved by the committee.
Board Liaison Comments: John Weidert, the new Lakes Committee liaison, reported on activities from the April 15th Board meeting and the May 6th Board work session. He also gave the committee an update on the Artesian Motor Home Resort.

POA Staff Report:
- Jason Temple reported on the following:
  - Status of Lock Boxes – Installation of lake fee lock boxes have been proposed for each lake boat ramp. Due to the high cost for commercial lock boxes, Public Works staff are investigating lock boxes to be built in-house. The committee discussed enforcement of lake access fees, and Bob Trowbridge volunteered to chair a task group to review procedures and rules for enforcing lake safety and revenue sources.
  - Algae in Lake Coronado – Thick algae growth is growing on the bottom of Lake Coronado near the shoreline and has become a big nuisance. Don Langston recommended that grass carp or some other remedy be instituted to address the problem. Jason agreed to have Brad assess the problem and propose a solution.
  - All About Water Document Review – Brad and Katy have reviewed and turned in their suggestions.
  - Electroshocking Fish Census Report – Brad, Katy, and other staff have conducted electroshocking on several small lakes. Segovia has a lot of small fish. Isabella has a reasonable mix of large and small largemouth bass and jumbo bluegills, but few forage fish. Jason is negotiating with Estate Management to restock Isabella with small bluegills. Maria also has a good mix of medium to large fish, but no forage fish. Sophia has many large red-ear and some small bass, and Estrella has a lot of small bass and some other larger fish. They tested Granada but he doesn’t have the results yet. Jason is very grateful to Bella Vista for the loan of their boat for this project. Overall, the small lakes that have been tested seem to all have a large population of stunted game fish, so a plan to harvest some of the smaller fish and introduce more food sources appears to be needed.
  - Water Quality Testing – All lakes have been tested with the new Sonde water testing equipment, but the results will not be compiled until Brad and Katy finish the electroshocking.
  - Lake Measurement Schedule – Starting in June lake measurements will be taken weekly.

Chairman’s Remarks:
- Charles Hartmann reported on the following:
  - Every month a list of follow-up action items will be sent out as a reminder of things to be completed.
  - Goals for 2015/2016 need to be updated. Charles will update it and distribute to committee members.
  - Len Dombrowski will take the lead on the 5-Year Plan.
Committee Member Reports & Comments:
- Lake Needs Assessment – Rob Bowers gave an update on lake needs. This is a valuable tool for Jason to use during budget compilation.
- Lake Data Compilation – George Maxey gave a report on lake data. He has not received data on a regular basis. Jason stated that Brad will need to decide how he wants to handle this data in the future.

Old Business:
- Update of Shoreliners Lists – The committee wants to compile a list of property owners for each lake to be used for emergency notification purposes. Jason will investigate the possibility of obtaining email addresses and telephone numbers from POA Administration.

New Business:
- Lake Dredging Schedule – Jason stated that the lake staff would prefer to dredge only one lake per year when a large lake is involved. We cannot gain access to most coves when dredging is done, so this needs to be re-evaluated. Floating dredging is very expensive and the money is not available at this time. It was suggested that the lakes be drawn down further, but Public Works does not have the personnel to do a thorough job in a timely manner. Peter Trabant will compile an updated dredging schedule. Lake Cortez will be dredged in 2015/2016.
- 2016 Budget Review – Jason emailed the proposed operational budget to committee members. The committee discussed various aspects of the proposed budget. Immediate needs include a work space and lab for the lakes crew and a chemical storage area. Another truck is also needed, hopefully to include a winch to pull objects from the lake. Committee members should look over the budget and make suggestions at the next meeting.
- 5-Year Plan – This plan needs to be completed by August, and will run from 2016-2021. The five POA goals, the issue of volunteers assisting in monitoring, and erosion control and silting need to be taken into consideration.
- Committee Charter – Charles previously sent the charter to committee members for review.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held June 10th at 9:00 a.m. at Coronado Center.