



LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD
May 3, 2007 Meeting Time: 7:00PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call – Marty called the meeting to order at 7:04PM.

Board Members Present:	Marty Portner	-	President
	Dan Dummett	-	Vice President
	Herb Hill	-	Secretary

Board Members Absent:	Betty Lou Finn	-	Member at Large
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II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Motion to Approve Agenda Mark Piper presented plans for a dock to be constructed on Chris Stephenitch's property. Herb said that he could review the site and plans and sign off on them, if they meet the board's specifications, prior to the next board meeting. Marty thanked Bill Piper, on behalf of the district, for his years of service on the RCD board. He also presented a Bill with a gift certificate and a signed award of appreciation. Dan motioned to approve the Agenda as written. Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-07-01]

IV. Motion to Approve the April 5, 2007 Minutes Herb motioned to approve the April 5, 2007 minutes. Dan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-07-02]

V. Treasurer's Report At the end of the fiscal year \$75,828.25 in checking and savings. The total Assets (including building, property and dam) amount is \$1,683,553.25. The loan amount was at \$45,600.33. In the middle of May the CD, which has \$49,833.01, will be maturing so they will be able to pay off the loan at that time. They received \$1,100 from Oltmanns for the RCD field that he cuts. Marty asked Becky how she was handling the payouts for boat sticker credit refunds and she said that she was issuing checks to those who requested it. She has only begun processing the applications and will give a report when she is through. The board decided to hold off on paying the loan until they get their first tax payout from the county. Dan motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by roll-call vote [05-07-03]

A. Motion to Approve FY2007-2008 Budget – There is a multi-step process that the RCD should follow to pass the budget. First, they must present a tentative budget, which they will have the attorney draft for them. Then they have to have a public hearing to vote on the budget 30 days later, the time and place of which needs to be posted in a newspaper at least one week prior to it being held. **Tabled until next meeting.**

B. Motion to Approve FY2007-2008 Tax Levy – Tabled Until Further Notice

VI. Old Business

A. Herb Hill - Lots 36 & 37 on Oak Lane- Jeffrey Shoreline Status – Herb received the plans from Glen Jeffrey to mitigate the problem with his shoreline that occurred from the golf-ball sized rock that was put on his shoreline. The plan looks good in Herb's opinion and he would like Becky to send a letter to Mr. Jeffrey indicating that he approves of the plan. Jerry Sellers requested that the LMC be allowed to look at the plan before the letter is sent to the property owner. Marty agreed that the LMC should be allowed to do that, adding that the RCD doesn't want to do anything that would be out of sync with what the LMC is trying to do.

VII. New Business

A. Election of Officers – Marty turned the chair over to Dan Dummett. Marty Portner motioned to appoint himself as President and Proxy Treasurer, Dan Dummett as Vice-President, and Herb Hill as Secretary. Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-07-04] Dan relinquished the chair back to Marty.

B. Discussion Of Monthly Meeting Day and Time Change – Marty asked the board if they would be

able to change the meetings to a Saturday or a weekday morning. Dan said that he would be unable to attend the meetings as often as he does if they changed it to a Saturday or weekday morning. Dan suggested that if Marty was unable to attend a meeting on the regularly scheduled time that they could reschedule to another evening that he could attend. They will continue to hold the regular meeting on the first Thursday of each month, unless otherwise posted.

C. Security – Marty relinquished the chair to Dan Dummett. He would like to extend the security agreement of \$500 a month for another six months. Tom Wendling suggested that the RCD consider raising the amount because New Landing POA would be paying the security personnel mileage this year and they were thinking about giving them an increase in pay due to their excellent work. Marty said that he would like to stay within the budget that they have and so if there was an increase in pay, then they would have to decrease the hours that they work for the RCD to stay within the budget. Marty motioned to extend the security Agreement, of which the RCD pays up to \$500 a month, for another six months. Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-07-05] Dan asked if there were reports available that he could review to judge the effectiveness of the security program. Tom said that there are reports that he can make them available to Dan with the stipulation that he not reveal information in there of a personal nature or that pertains to minors; they don't release the reports to the public because there is mention of minors in the reports. Marty said that he gets an incident report from New Landing and he will ensure that Dan and the other board members get those. Dan relinquished the chair back to Marty.

D. Motion to Continue Use of Present Accountant – Marty asked Becky is there was a change in the amount of work that the RCD had the accountant do and Becky said that she would take on filling out and filing the annual audit report for the comptroller's office. They had said that the RCD could fill out the report themselves, in the past the board had chosen to have the accountant do it because it is a 15-20-page report. The reason Becky had offered to do the report was because the accountant has been consistently late in filing the report. She added that if the board would still rather have the accountant do the report and just make sure to remind them to file it in a timely fashion that was fine. Marty agreed to have Becky file the report. Dan suggested that if the accountant wasn't meeting the RCD's needs that they could talk to the POA boards and ask for suggestions on the accountant that they use. Bill said that the RCD is a different entity with different sets of rules than the POA's and that all the RCD really needs is an accounting firm to review and sign off on the papers. Marty said that he doesn't see the harm in keeping them for that specific purpose. Herb feels that if they are not doing the job in a timely fashion then maybe they should change accountants. Marty asked Becky to get with Bill Piper on finding a CPA to review the RCD's reports and give their blessing.

E. LLSC Landscape Committee: Beautification Project-Phase 2 – Nadine Portner and Cyndi Cantrell presented phase two of the LCC beautification. This year's plan will focus around a 7' wide, 6' long and 8' tall pergola with a mulched 24' X 24' picnic area just south of it and relocating the grills just outside and downwind of the picnic area. It will be partially covered to offer relief from the sun and have two 6' benches. The estimated cost of materials for the pergola would be \$300-400, while the cost of mulch for the picnic area would be \$130-150. They will also be purchasing hanging baskets and annuals at about \$100-125. Herb expressed concern about the maintenance of the site to include replenishing the mulch and staining the pergola. The stain he has used in the past is not holding up. Mark Piper said that he knows of a stain w/ polyurethane that is thicker than normal stain, almost like a varnish that will last 8-10 years. Last year the RCD contributed the cost of the perennials, the whiskey barrels, and the stepping-stones. Dan asked how the mulch would be contained and Cyndi said that the mulched would be trenched in and the volunteers would periodically rake in any mulch that gets stirred up. Dan, Marty and Herb said that they were in favor of the work that the landscape committee wants to perform. Herb would like to see some trees planted that provide shade. Marty said that the RCD would contribute up to \$500 to their endeavor, with the stipulation that they work with Herb on the project. The project is slated to start June 3rd, with the pergola to be started next week.

VIII. Employee / Committee Report

A. LMC

– people from downstate came up and performed water testing on the lake yesterday. Jerry took a gentleman from an outside consultant firm, Jack Pesoe and associates, around the lake to show him all the shoreline projects that they have going on. He had good suggestions to include tapering shorelines by pushing banks into the water rather than pulling them back. That avoids the cost of hauling

material away. He also felt that the silt basin would be a good place to put in a wetland as it exits the Nature Conservancy.

-June 2 Shoreline Property Owner Meeting

-Ogle County will provide a list of all the names and addresses of the owners in our watershed.

-Dan asked what the status of the plantings on the LCC shoreline. The gentleman from Pesoe and Associates was able to identify about six types of the plants that were planted. He said that with the weather this year it was difficult for the plants to take hold. Vickie Webber planted 64 plants in there and she guarantees that they will come back or she will replace them.

-Ron Berger said that they put three buoys into the lake to mark their testing sites. Sandy Nichols, with the IEPA, came out yesterday with all the supplies to test the water; she took the samples back with her except for the Chlorophyll test. They VLMP performs Secchi readings twice a month and the chemical testing once a month. They also use the electronic device and probes to check the phosphorous and temperature. The people from the EPA will come out once a month in June, July, August, and October. John Mulholland and Jerry Skyles, Bill Wurtz, Frank Durkin and Jim Proper helped with the volunteering as well.

-Dan asked how they anchored the buoys – John Mulholland said that they used 45 lb concrete anchors w/ 3/8" 2500 lb tensile strength, sheathed cable with swivels on it. They RCD sets anchors to hold the buoys for the swimming area each summer and a small wind blows them around and Dan would like to work with John to do something similar to what the LMC did.

-Marty asked if the data that the state is collecting will be available to Joe Rush and the RCD and Jerry said yes they have data from last year that is being analyzed by Joe Rush and some of it they can analyze themselves. Invertebrate Biotic Integrity (IBI) study on Nachusa's stream and it came back as a 36. Jerry looked into it further and found that that is not a bad number, however, it is considered an impaired stream because it doesn't have scour sites in the stream deep enough to have fish survive through the winter. Jerry asked for an IBI study to be done on Clear Creek - he'd also like to have to have one below the dam because if it came back impaired they would have a bigger club to go after a state grant. Diane Caruso is doing a macro-invertebrate study on the lake. Ron recommended that the RCD put something in the Watershed indicating what the buoys are for and not to disturb them.

-Wildlife Management – the corn oil was an effective way of handling the goose eggs – Herb asked about the goose fencing and whether it was installed this year. Jerry said that the goose fencing came down at the N. Beach because fishermen have been keeping the geese off of that beach.

IX. Guest Comments

Herb O'Rourke – Guardrail project finished. There was some reduction in the cost because there was some old material used.

Mike Robinson – 1. What does the RCD do about checking stickers on the boat while people are in the water? Marty said that there is no formal procedure, however, they tell the security personnel to be aware; there is nothing they can do until the person comes ashore – at that time they can confront them and ask them who they are and whether they have a sticker. If they don't have one then security will get their name and address and report back to the RCD to handle it.

2. Does they use the RCD boat to patrol? No – they use it for VLMP programs.

3. What is the 48.5-cent fuel? - reimbursement for contract employees per IRS

4. Does the annual audit form require a CPA's signature – no.

Tom Wendling – In reference to Herb quoting \$28,000 for parking lot lighting Tom suggested that the RCD could gather up some volunteer labor, rent a trencher, put in some concrete pedestals and put in some really nice streetlights light the city of Naperville and it could probably be done as a community project for less than \$10,000. Herb said that he wanted to do the same thing that Tom had suggested,

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however, if they do look into it, they would have to follow specific guidelines because they are a government entity. Herb said that the streetlights that he wanted to get were rather expensive because they were non-light polluting and energy saving. Whatever they plan on doing to the lights, Herb wants it to be permanent.

John Mulholland – Needs stain to finish up Oak Lane staircase, dock at North Beach, and the garbage container at North Beach. There are 8-10' pine trees for sale off of Flagg Road for \$100.

Jerry Sellers – Silt basin – security asked if Jerry people should be there and Jerry said residents in the tax district only. He suggested that No-Trespassing signage should be put there.

Com Ed has been working on the easement going to the campground and they have it pretty torn up – Tom said that they have right of way to get to their lines, however, they should also put it back the way it was.

- X. **Adjourn** – Dan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:51PM. Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously. [05-07-06] **Next Meeting: June 7, 2007**

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