



LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD February 3, 2009 Time: 7:00PM

I. **Call to Order and Roll Call** – Marty called the meeting to order at 7:10PM

Board Members Present

Marty Portner - **President** **Herb Hill** - **Secretary**
Glenn Baldwin - **Member at Large**

Board Members Absent

Steve Larry - **Vice President**
Betty Lou Finn - **Member at Large**

II. **Pledge of Allegiance**

III. **Motion to Approve Agenda** – Glenn motioned to approve the agenda and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote [02-09-01]

IV. **Motion to Approve the 01/06/2008 Minutes** – Tabled until next month

V. **Review and Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report** – Assets in checking and savings as of January 31, 2009 - \$150,410.72. The RCD paid out the following in January - \$6,985 to Grant Bullis for the annual insurance premium, which included workman's comp, commercial package, and directors and officers; Nye: \$240 for prevailing wage advice and \$480 regarding shoreline SOP; \$957.78 to Lenhart Plumbing for the repairs to the LCC men's room; \$418.92 to JadEco for aquatic management; \$1,916.75 to Olson Ecological for grant writing; ULLPOA decided to no longer charge the RCD dues for the two lots 118 and 119 that they own; \$493.50 to Lewis Pools for repair of an existing problem at the LCC unrelated to the light pole that they installed; ULLPOA - \$470.40 for security and \$215.15 for Watershed printing; and annual membership to IALC of \$125. RCD deposited \$788.58 on 1/30/09, which was a combination of rentals, reimbursements and pop machine earnings. Glenn asked how the fixed assets amount of the equity listed on the balance sheet was attained and Becky explained that the land was based on numbers attained from the supervisor of assessment office; the Lake Court center was based on an appraisal done by Art Johnson a few years back, the dam is based on the cost to replace it, and the equipment is based on its depreciated value. Mike Robinson asked who owns the RCD and Joe Olliges said that no one owns the RCD, Becky said that the RCD answers to the county and to the constituents in its district. Glenn asked what would happen to the assets that the RCD owns if it were liquidated and Becky said that it would go back to the Ogle County. Mike Robinson asked what went wrong with the lighting and Marty said that security called and said that the junction box was sparking so Marty shut it down. Glenn talked to Lewis Pools and they said that there were some things wrong with the junction box – it was work that was unrelated with the light pole that he had installed previously. Mike asked about the payout for the Watershed article and whether it was for the pages that were inserted into the newsletter and Marty said yes. Glenn motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-09-02]

VI. **New Business**

A. **Dennis Reiter: CenturyTel Request for Easement:** This spring, CenturyTel wants to update the internet and phone equipment for the neighborhood and in doing so they would like to move the current equipment back to a safer and more secluded area than where it currently is on Flagg road. The biggest benefit is that the internet speed will go up from the current 1.5 or 3 megabit to 10 megabit. Dennis showed some pictures of the same unit that was installed in Dixon. It is comprised of three units – phone lines, power, and cross-connect for all the cables - which they would put on a concrete pad. Herb wondered if it would render the lots unsalable and Dennis showed him the concept pictures of where it would go on the RCD's property.

Dennis said that CenturyTel likes to get an easement for their equipment so that the RCD wouldn't be able to move their equipment for things like widening the road. They want to put it back far enough on the lot that it isn't on the POA or utility right of way. The first step would be to draw up an agreement and CenturyTel is willing to pay for that. Glenn would like to go to the property and see where it would be installed – Marty

allowed Dennis to stake out the site that he wants to install the equipment. Mike Robinson asked if they would be putting in better equipment and Dennis said yes. Mike asked what the RCD gets out of it and Marty said that they are not looking at compensation at this time. The boxes would be hidden behind a fence for aesthetics. Tabled until March

- B. Laura Giedd: March 14 Use of Building for Fundraiser** – Laura, a resident of Lost Lake, would like to use the building on March 14 from 3-10PM to host a fundraiser for the American cancer society – she is expecting about 125 people to attend. Marty requested that they observe the fire limits and that she would be responsible for taking care of the building just as a regular renter such as clean-up and turning down the heat in the building when they leave. Herb asked whether the kitchen would be used and Laura said that the food would be prepared ahead of time and only be kept there.
- C. Tim Spelde: Creel Limits, Fish Stock Budget Suggestion** – Tim said that they would like to continue with the 2008 Creel Limits and suggested that the RCD budget \$3700 for fish stocking based on an increase in fish prices from their regular supplier over last year. The fish are usually delivered in October. Joe Rush has given Tim some other names of suppliers. Tim is also looking into controlling the carp population again. Herb motioned to keep the 2009 Creel Limits the same as last year and Glenn seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-09-03]
- D. Motion: \$2,500 to Kaskaskia for Stabilization SOP** – Kaskaskia wrote up a re-vegetation SOP for the RCD to adopt and the bill for that is \$2,500. Glenn motioned to approve the payment of \$2,500 to Kaskaskia Engineering for the writing of a re-vegetation SOP and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-09-04]
- E. Motion: \$800 to Wes's Tree Service for December Plowing** – Herb motioned to pay Wes's Tree Service \$800 for plowing the LCC and the North Beach turn-around and Glenn seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [02-09-05]

VII. Employee / Committee / Consultant Reports

A. Jerry Sellers - LMC/Aquatic Management Update

1. Silt Basin – Joe Rush sent the board a document outlining a path forward for the RCD to obtain engineering bids for the proposed Schings Park Silt Basin. Jerry said that he feels that they need to proceed with this whether they get grant money or not and if they apply for a 319 grant than they need to know what the engineering and build cost to install it will be. Contacting the vendors and writing letters to them and getting back together to decide who would be the best to do the job. They want to get this done in time for the next RCD meeting in March. Marty said that the board supports them in pursuing this.

2. Shoreline Stabilization – Nothing to Report

B. Grant Program Update – Glenn asked if they were paying a lot of money for the grant writer to go after the grants and how successful is the history of this type of operation. Marty said that it has gotten worse due to the economy and what is going on with state, however, the real value in having this particular grant writing organization is that they have gone leaps and bounds in forging a coalition with the people that live around the lake and the people that live in the watershed that have farming operations whose streams are contributing to the turbidity and nutrient problems of the lake as well as all kinds of ecological organizations that are in the area like the NRCS and the Nature Conservancy District. You need cooperation and partnerships with these people in order to help the grants move forward. The proof will come when they start getting the grants; however, he feels that they never could have gotten as far as they did on their own and that they have the best possible chance of getting grant money.

VIII. Old Business

A. Survey – Tabled until next month.

B. Shoreline Stabilization Resolution – Jerry Sellers, Joe Rush, Marty, Robert Stocksdale, and Steve met to discuss shoreline stabilization. Marty sent copies of the modified shoreline stabilization resolution, which he would like to approve at a subsequent board meeting, to the board members. At the meeting, they came up with a way to subsidize the construction costs for the individual property owners, up to a capped amount. The RCD is going to hold a special meeting on March 7 at 1:00PM to hold an open forum to discuss the shoreline stabilization resolution. They are sending out a letter to the lake shore line property owners to make sure that they know about it and we are going to post signs at the gates and POA and LLUD offices. The RCD will also be sending out customized packets in the mail to each of the shoreline property owners, outlining their

recommendations for their property and instructions on how to engage the RCD to help with their project and the RCD will supply the engineering and design free of charge.

IX. Guest Comments

1. Don Finn – Don wants to make sure that the POA and the RCD are heading in the same direction regarding shoreline stabilization. He said that the POA is counting on the RCD to ask the company to bid both the RCD and POA property, while giving the POA a separate bid, so that the work will be done at the same time. If the RCD approves a bid at their meeting then Don would expect the POA to also approve the bid for their work so that they can both realize a cost savings. He wondered if that is the RCD's understanding of what is going to take place. Marty said that he wants to say yes, however, he wants to check with Steve first because he is going to resubmit the bid request that we postponed. Jerry Sellers said that one of the problems is that when the RCD goes out to bid they can only describe the RCD portion of the job to be performed. Marty agreed and said that the POA would have to get their bid from the contractor afterward. Marty said he can give the POA the names of the contractors that bid on the RCD's job so that they can contact them to bid on their work at the same time. Jerry was concerned with the logistics of ensuring that both the POA and the RCD got the advantage of the economy of scale pricing from a contractor combining a job.

2. Mike Robinson – Mike stated that the ULLPOA decided at their last meeting not to charge the RCD dues on their property as long as the RCD is not charging the POA to rent the LCC facility for their meetings.

3. Jerry Sellers – Jerry feels that the easement to CenturyTel shouldn't be just granted, rather, it should be a rented year to year and there should be a contract written. Marty said that he will ask Dennis Reiter if CenturyTel would be willing to pay for the easement and what they would do if they aren't granted easement.

X. Motion to Adjourn Meeting – Next Meeting: March 3, 2009 – Marty motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:35PM and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote.[02-09-06]

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