

## Meeting Agenda

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**Date/Time:** Sunday, April 19, 2009 @ 1:00 pm

**Location:** Town of Cleveland Hall, C4262 Hwy M, Stratford, WI  
(one mile north of Hwy 153 on Hwy M)

1. Meeting Called to Order at 1:00 P.M. by President
2. Introductions of Board; Request to identify name when speaking during meeting
3. Old Business:
  - Secretary's Report-Minutes Read & Approved
  - Treasurer's Report-Read (\$4,075.36 with 142 families and 17 businesses) & Approved
  - Committees Updates:
    - ❖ Economic Impact: Tim gave an overview of Ken Dorshorst's report which is on the web site. It was also suggested that we ask for money for the aerator rather than lights, buoys, etc. in the Recreational Plan.
    - ❖ Legal Info: The petition was submitted to FERC requesting clarification of the aerator responsibility (Final Environment Impact Report), increase of the water level, to have the Big Eau Pleine resurveyed to determine the accurate capacity of the Eau Pleine since the last map was done in 1969. There will be a resolution presented to the Marathon County Board on Tuesday at which time Bepco (Mike Paul) will officially appear to present Bepco's response to the resolution. Please refer to the web site for the resolution and the response. When the DNR grant begins water testing in the fall, Bepco would like to partner with the DNR for the initial testing. Ed Hahn and Mike Paul are working on the 501(3) request for a non-profit organization.
    - ❖ Fundraising: Tim will be applying for a grant (with Buzz Sorge from the DNR) for the aerator but we are # 7 on the list. The money is from costs paid by electricity going through counties. The water level was 8 feet lower in the fall than in previous years resulting in the fish kill.
    - ❖ Fish & Game: Jerry Bucholtz reviewed Fish & Management Plan & the Drought Contingency Plan which really isn't a plan. It provided for the aerator in 1980/1981.
    - ❖ Membership: Larry Frane asked for assistance for members to contact neighbors. The issue of Associate Membership was brought up again which will have to be referred to the Board.
    - ❖ It: Steve Pelton gave a brief overview demonstration of the web site.
4. New Business:
  - Update-Bepco recent activities by President
  - Update-Filing of FERC petition, letters to state and federal representatives, & symposium –Mike Paul handed out a few copies of the petition.
  - Opening of Fishing Season-Board members will be at the various landings along with others who volunteered.
  - Ernie Collier volunteered for the Political committee and to assist Mike Paul with sending letter to our representatives.
  - Agenda Items for Annual Meeting-No action taken
  - Volunteers for Officer positions and/or Board Members-No Action taken
  - Someone suggested that Bepco take a "Catch & Release" policy-matter referred to the Board
  - Notations that April 15 is the highest level of water on the Big Eau Pleine-then the summers begins and draw down by WVIC.
  - Volunteers to were asked to help with the Picnic; anyone interested in an officer or Board position is to contact the secretary.
7. Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 pm.

**NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:** SUNDAY, May 17, 2009 @ 1:00 PM at the Town of Green Valley, Ancestor Ln Mosinee, WI

Respectfully submitted,

*Lynn J. Patton*, Secretary,

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