

Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)

Thursday, August 25, 2016 Prior Lake City Hall

Our mission is to manage and preserve the water resources of the Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District to the best of our ability using input from our communities, sound engineering practices, and our ability to efficiently fund beneficial projects which transcend political jurisdictions.

The Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) consists of residents who provide input and recommendations to the Board on projects, reports, prioritization and act as the primary interface for the Board to address the current issues of concern of the local citizens.

CAC Members present: Steve Pany and Jodi See

Others present: Marianne Breitbach, PLSLWD Manager; Diane Lynch, District Administrator. Residents: Lois Collier, Karen Bubb, Larry Schulze, Theresa Feldman and Harry and Janine Alcorn.

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:30pm
- II. Agenda approved
 - a. No additions
- III. Watershed District Projects updates/Discussion topics
 - 1. Surface Floating Algae, Lower Prior Lake. Testing/Solutions
 - The residents introduced themselves and voiced their concerns about vegetation in Shady Beach
 - Key concerns included: pipe from the ponds is discharging into the bay; broken limbs and trees are in the lake; sediment disposition from the nearby development and the contribution of the city's lots
 - Residents would like the city to dredge. The City could also plant its shoreline
 - Diane and Marianne will set up a meeting with them and the City to review their concerns on-site
 - 2. No Legislative Special Session
 - The IR and DFL cannot agree on the agenda, so there will not be one
 - 3. Flood Study Update
 - The City and District staffs will review another Study draft and meet soon
 - The policymakers will meet on 9/26 to discuss
 - 4. Fall Cleanup Event Date

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- The Clean Water-Clean Up is scheduled for October 30 at Sand Point Beach Park
- 5. Upper Prior Carp Removal
 - Diane indicated that carp management will need to occur before an alum treatment will be cost effective
 - The Board is considering funding this in its 2017 budget
- 6. Carp Seining Schedule
 - There will be a fall sein on Upper Prior to test the area for obstructions and to do initial removals
 - There will be winter seins on both Upper Prior and Spring Lake, depending upon ice conditions and commercial fishermen availability
- 7. Citizen Carp Fishing
 - There could be a contest on a given weekend
 - People would receive recognition for the largest poundage
 - Dumpsters would be provided
- 8. Water Quality Improvement Award
 - The deadline of September 15 is fast approaching and no applications have been received
- 9. Other
 - The EPA has approved a change in the water quality standard for Spring Lake from 40 micrograms per liter to 60 micrograms per liter, due to the sediment core sample which indicated that historically Spring was always around the 60 level
- IV. Comments, suggestions, questions
 None
- V. Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.