

PRIOR LAKE - SPRING LAKE

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Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee

November 29th, 2012 6:30pm

Prior Lake City Hall

Parkview Room

14070 Commerce Ave NE, Prior Lake, MN 55372

Board of Managers: William Kallberg, President; William Schmokel, Vice President; Marianne Breitbach, Secretary; Greg Aamodt, Treasurer; Bruce Thorsen, Manager

CAC members present: Jim Weninger, Steve Pany, Kim Silvernagel, Roger Wahl, Paul Krueger, Christian Morkeberg, Larry Rundell.

Others present: Nat Kale (PLSLWD Staff) and Loren Peters (Interested Citizen)

Meeting began at 6:35pm

6:35 Current discussion items

Staff Update

Stacy Sass has moved on, a new replacement has been hired (Jaime Rockney).

Agenda Topics from Nat

1. Ferric Chloride
2. Alum treatment
3. Active project updates
4. History of curly leaf treatment on Prior Lake

Ferric Chloride injection updates (Nat Kale)

1. The initial design called for two pumps; the revised design for the new facility only calls for one pump, which will result in significant savings for the project.
2. The District is working to acquire easement from a couple of neighbors.
3. The schedule calls for breaking ground in January, with an ETA to complete before spring thaw.
4. The funding is built into the 2013 District budget that has already passed.

Cty 12 Sewer project

1. The project likely to move forward, budget details unknown.

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2. City has annexed the area that was in the township previously along Sunset Avenue.
3. There will be a sewer interceptor down the road, when users 'connect' is TBD.
4. Cty 12 & 17- re-construction as a separate project, but a storm water feature will be put in place to help with water treatment.
 - a. The new feature will have paths to make more use of the land.

Alum treatment

1. Background provided by Nat.
2. In 2011 the Board reconsidered the possibility of using Alum now that the curly leaf pondweed was under control.
3. Today, the board has accepted a proposal. No decision has been made yet to move forward – the Board is determining funding and timelines.
4. It is likely there will be a fall 'boat' application via a barge.
5. The project is not in the budget for 2013. If it does move forward it would be either fall 2013 or fall 2014.
6. Carp should not impede the progression of the Alum treatment, though are a factor to consider.
7. Carp seining and tagging discussion ensued.
8. A potential approach for funding is to work with other entities to get financial support; bonding is another alternative.
9. The Alum treatment is only anticipated to last 10-20 years. So load reductions on the land, etc. after the treatment will assist in reducing algae when the Alum meets it lifespan, and extend the lifespan of the treatment as well.

Letter to Watershed from Barb Marshall

1. The CAC supported cooperation across all bodies, and encouraged the District to focus on implementation rather than further studies.

8:10 Final Questions / Comments and Adjourn

2. The CAC provided feedback on the Alum treatment brochure.
3. The next meeting will be January, 2013; the last Thursday of each month schedule will continue next year.
4. The nascent Spring Lake Association will meet on 12/10 at the Methodist Church in Prior Lake.
 - a. Nat Kale agreed to have alum treatment brochures ready to provide to attendees.