

ROUND LAKE TASK FORCE MEETING

March 22, 2007

Bob Strachota, Wally Narr, Jack Ardoyno, Al Reinemann and Sue Kintzinger were in attendance for the March 22, 2007 meeting held at the DNR offices. Other attendees were SEH Engineering, Sawyer County, Wisconsin DNR, LCO Tribe, Tiger Cat Flowage Association, Osprey Lake Association, Sawyer County Record and various other governmental persons.

Every attempt at accuracy has been made in this report. If there are any questions, comments, additions, clarifications or corrections please let us know. Email tk25@roundthelake.com

Bernie Lenz from SEH Engineering gave his presentation first and in his report gave the following recommendations:

- Manage Beaver Dams.
- Put in a "run of the river" dam (approximately 30' wide) which could hold water back in times of low water, but is more capable of releasing water in times of high water. The current Carlson Dam does not allow for water to exit efficiently and is inadequate. As described by Mr. Lenz, this type of dam would have to be engineered, but could possibly be 30' long and there would be no hydraulics involved. A "v" notch is built into the center and this is where you could put boards in it to allow for retainage or required 25% flow. The current Carlson Dam is 10' wide not including about a 10' embankments on each side, held back by retaining walls. No discussion was made as to elevation of the bottom of the sill (i.e. would it be the same, lower or higher?) and this would have to go into the engineering plan.

His report seemed to change Sawyer County's predilection of going for a "passive system". Dale Olson from the Sawyer County Conservation Department stated that he was confident that SEH did a good job and went above and beyond what they were contracted to do. The LCO Tribe is requesting further studies to be done that would show the effects of the "run of the river" dam downstream on the LCO Reservation. Specific engineering requests from the LCO are to be made available to the Round Lake Task Force in 30 days and no later than 60 days. The County is willing to do additional engineering work to answer all reasonable concerns. It still may be a long time before any thing is concluded. The County owns the land that Carlson Road Dam is on not the LCO.

At the present time, the 1941 order is still in place and no changes have been made. The task force is still grappling with the best overall solution keeping in mind all the various interested parties. Fred Zietlow on The Sawyer County Board of Directors representing Ward 5/6 (Supervisor) requested to know the

process of dam abandonment procedures. Mr. Zietlow who lives on the South shore of Round Lake (and on the Land & Water Conservation Dept. Committee) also questioned the recommendations of the SEH Engineering study and seemed to favor the so called "passive" system. The DNR/County stated that before any process took place they would hold public meetings. It should be noted that the county is making application for the abandonment of the Tiger Cat/Lake Placid Diversion Chanel. However, the county has said that this Placid Canal abandonment application does not NECESSARILY mean that this will happen. Supposedly the County made application for this abandonment 8 years ago but it was never implemented.

Bob Strachota made a point that nothing should be done to vacate the 1941 order or continue with procedures for abandonment until a complete solution is in place. The RLPOA Partner Statement has been put on hold without our consent to publish the statement which we provided them (which Sawyer County attempted to modify). Our revised partner statement will reflect recommendations in part from the SEH March, 2007 Hydraulic Engineering Report. Mr. Strachota RLPOA President stated that the SEH recommendations for a somewhat larger dam with active management are something that could most likely be successfully presented to Round Lake Owners.

Two engineering reports by SEH are available online at www.sawycountygov.org. These reports, as well as additional information are also available at the RLPOA web-site, www.roundthelake.com.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- ***Tuesday, April 17, 2007 6:30 pm Sawyer County Board Meeting at the Sawyer Court House;***
Shirley Riedmann who is leading the task force will be presenting an update to the Sawyer County Board as to the status of the Round Lake Management Plan. Shirley has stated that NO DECISIONS WILL BE MADE at this meeting, but she has an obligation to advise the board of the status and let them know what monies have been spent to date.
- ***Thursday, April 19, 2007 9:00 am – 12:00 noon Round Lake Management Task Force Meeting at the DNR Office.***
All RLPOA Board Members that can attend should be there. Shirley Riedmann is hoping to have the LCO Tribe's concerns addressed at this meeting.
- ***Saturday, May 26, 2007 9:00 am Round Lake Property Owner's Association Meeting at the Round Lake Town Hall.***
Special Meeting for the property owners to update them on the water level

meetings. The RLPOA is considering inviting some or all the Task Force parties to attend this meeting .

A RLPOA newsletter or notification letter will not be sent out until the public informational hearing is announced.

Respectfully submitted,
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