

Operation Committee Meeting
October 15, 2009
Club Office
6:00 p.m.

Present: Dave Waldron, Ed Middleton, John MacFarland, Kurt Larson, Mike McElroy, Dean Brodberg, Jim Wileman and Manager Livermore. Via Phone; Loyal Eldridge and Teresa Schanski.

Loyal lead the Budget Review as follows: Revenues are only 2K off of budgeted but without insurance check we would be 14 K off of projections. Expenses are below budget but most of it is timing and actuality is that we are probably about on budget.

Capital is on budget with the billboard being the only item not completed. The Committee questioned whether we should postpone the project because of the budget shortfalls. Kurt Larson said that he thought we should postpone the project until spring but not to cancel the project. President Waldron asked if it was possible to get it done this year. Manager Livermore stated it was possible but it would be tight. Questions lingered about if we really needed to put the billboard up with a few members still not in favor of it. Finances were a big part of the discussion. It was agreed to that Manager Livermore will continue to prepare for the bill boards but that the project will be reconsidered in the 2010 Capital Budget.

Lester and Loyal have been working on the 2010 operating budget will be proposed to the Board on Saturday. Lack of revenue from carbon credits and timber is the main issue. We are working on the premise that we will have no change in most categories. No increases are budgeted in revenue or expenses. The topic of secondary membership and the loss of dues were brought up. Loyal said that he would look at it in the Finance Committee.

Manager Livermore reviewed the maintenance report. See Attached

John McFarland read a letter that he will read in response to the two letters that were written about fishing at the mouth. The letter explains the process and timeline of the decision to post the mouth of the river for member fishing only. John intends to read the letter after the other two letters are written. The committee agreed that John and the fish and game committee handled the situation appropriately.

Dean Brodberg presented a proposed change in question #7 of the Membership application that deals with DNR violations. Dean felt the question was vague and wants to change the language to make it very clear to future applicants. Dean will present it the Board on Saturday.

Manager Livermore reported to the Committee American Wind and Energy had defaulted on its obligations and that Marc Carlson of American Wind and Energy had emailed him to tell him that he was interested in continuing to work towards getting wind energy on HSC. Manager Livermore said that Mr. Carlson had lied this summer about the hold up on erecting the weather towers and that he did not feel that Mr. Carlson was someone that we wanted to do business with in the future. Lester emailed Marc to express his opinions on the matter.

Manager Livermore presented an idea to hold a concert during the Triathlon. After MUCH discussion it was agreed that it has to be assigned to a committee for due process. Manager Livermore asked for guidance on the proposal in regards to whether he should pursue this idea

or if the whole concept is outside of what HSC is about. The conscience was that it was not something that HSC was about and there were too many things that could go wrong.

President Waldron read a letter from Ann Hayes regarding children's programs. Lester is going write a brief letter to accompany hers for the Board Meeting.

The Operations Committee discussed Manager Livermore's Annual Review and President Waldron asked the other members of the Committee to keep him on track with finishing it before January.

Meeting Adjourned

Hiawatha Sportsman's Club Project List

The following projects have been identified. **Items printed in bold have been completed.** Underlined items are in progress.

Work that has been accomplished

Cleaned up lime spreader
Power washed 2nd group of cabins and Recreation Building
Dug sediment Trap at Rifle Range
West River ORV trail improvements
Brush Subdivision Roads

Work that is scheduled for the future

Scheduled Projects Completion	Estimated Date of
<u>Finish cabins at campground</u>	7-31-09
Lime Cranberry Lake	10-24-09
Install dry hydrants	11-1-09
Change grade at trap building	11-7-09
Deer Season	11-30-09
Make Repairs in Cabins	12-31-09
Seal Cranberry Lodge	6-1-10

Project Identified but not yet scheduled:

Plant trees beside the boat launch
Finish Mud Lake trail
Repair Cold Creek Pond Dam
Repair Three Mile Pond Dam

This does not include normal maintenance items like mowing grass, picking up garbage, cabin repairs, helping members and guest, facilitating volunteer groups and our activity programs.