CITY OF WOODLAND
HORSESHOE LAKE COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 12, 2012

The regular meeting of the Horseshoe Lake Management Committee was held on April 12, 2012, at the Woodland City Hall Council Chambers, 100 Davidson Avenue, Woodland, WA 98674.

Vice-Chair Walt Church called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 p.m. Roll call found the following:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:  
Tom Golik, Chairman (arrived 5:30)  
Walt Church  
Mike Curry  
Terry Jones  
Francis Patnode  
Pat Rychel  
Neil Van Horn  
Jeff Sullivan (Absent)

MAYOR/COUNCIL:  
Scott Perry, Councilmember

STAFF:  
Jody Bartkowski, Secretary

MINUTES
The March 8, 2012 minutes were approved as presented.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Lake Pump: Discussion ensued regarding the latest letter from the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). Staff reported that calls have been made to check the part status and have not been returned.

A review was conducted of the January 2010 WSDOT inlet/outlet inspection and discussion was held regarding the materials used, seals, sediment, valves, and which direction the photos were taken from.

Council Member Perry reported that a City Council presentation by WSDOT is scheduled for Monday, April 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m and invited the Committee to attend and comment.

Staff was directed to make sure that Mayor Laseke and Bart Stepp, Director of Public Works are aware of the Federal Highway letter dated July 20, 1956 regarding responsibility for alleviating stagnation.

2. Water Sampling: Discussion ensued regarding contacting Stacie Kelsey at the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife and requesting an exact date for when Lake sampling and testing will begin.

3. Decoys: Discussion ensued regarding adding additional decoys.

4. Otter Population: It was reported that one was seen near Walt’s Meats the week of February 26, 2012.
5. **Budget**: Staff reported that no changes have been made.

6. **Goals & Priorities**: A review was conducted of the goal & priority recap. Open discussion was held regarding the priority rankings, the combining of pollution and erosion control, the combining of public involvement/education with signage, the addition of a cormorant study, and the return of osprey.

Further discussion ensued regarding where do we go from here, splitting the projects into two lists (one of items that we can accomplish and the other of items out of our control), City Council (reports, ways to provide information, and requesting assistance, stormwater systems going to the Lake, runoff near the skate park (from the parking lot, Lakeshore Drive, and I-5), and who is responsible for testing runoff.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Agency Contact List**. Chairman Golik read a proposed letter to be sent to local agencies regarding contact information. It was discussed and unanimously agreed that the letter would be sent and that a follow-up letter would be sent after the contact information is received.

2. **Letter to Department of Ecology regarding Groundwater**. Staff reported that the Public Works Director had reviewed Walt’s Wholesale Meats, Department of Ecology (DOE), National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and determined that the letter was not necessary because groundwater monitoring is not required. Discussion ensued regarding the pipe discharging into the lake and where the foam comes from, how the ponds work, whether they are using city or well water, and their history of discharge. Walt Church will contact Walt’s Wholesale Meats for additional information.

**OTHER**

- Council Member Perry and staff reported that Carolyn Johnson, Community Development Planner has some experience with water quality. She is reviewing the proposed WSDOT sampling plan and will be placed on an upcoming agenda to provide input on this as well as grant funding opportunities from the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) and assistance provided by the Cowlitz Wahkiakum Council of Governments (CWCOG).

- Discussed local newspaper articles and problems with Vancouver and Silver Lakes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, May 10, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. at the Woodland City Hall Council Chambers.

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Tom Golik - Chairman

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Jody Bartkowski - Secretary