

Official Lake Mitchell Advisory Committee

July 12, 2011

Recreation Center Conference Room

Present: Mark Puetz, John McLeod, Troy Helleloid, Dave Allen, Dusty Rodiek
Tom Lawrence, Mitchell Daily Republic Newspaper

Meeting started at 4:02 p.m.

Motion John McLeod, Second Troy Helleloid to approve the June 14, 2011 Minutes as read.
Motion approved and carried.

The Committee was informed the Solar Bee has been installed in the lake, however when it was first placed in the lake it did not work and it was determined that the battery needed to be replaced. Last year the effectiveness of the Solar bee was reduced by steady heavy rains, but this year it is believed the Solar bee will be more effective.

State Park – Dusty Rodiek gave the Committee a brief update on the meeting last month with Governor Daugaard and his staff regarding the feasibility of a state park near Mitchell. There has been a lot of positive feedback from the community and the Committee will continue future discussions with the governor's staffers on the concept of a state park.

Adopt an Access Area Signage – Mark Puetz informed the Committee everything is ready to move forward with the final design for the Adopt and Access signs. The signs will cost \$50.00 or less, which is funded by the adoption fee paid by each entity that adopts an access area.

Campground Rip Rap Project – Project is nearly complete and the area is already seeing public use.

Access Areas – John McLeod updated the Committee on the two access areas he has been working with Dusty on for developing a plan for tree removal and potential tree replacement. Also, noted John would like to look at the north access areas, however a plan would need to be developed. Dusty informed the Committee that the Youth Park Explorer Program, which is comprised of 15 and 16 year olds hired by the city to clean up access areas and do other jobs have been working on cleaning up Franks Bay moving west towards and around the boat launch area.

Fish Habitat – Discussion was held on continuing efforts to improve fish habitat. John McLeod noted that he knows a gentleman who has round rocks that could be utilized for fish habitat. Mark Puetz stated there was a large pile of round rocks stored near the lake that were used for the trail project between Kiwanis Woodlot and the Amphitheater that could also be utilized for fish habitat.

New Rip Rap – Discussion was held on the need for a shoreline stabilization program along the lake between the Sportsman's Club and the Lake Mitchell Day Camp as well as an access area

just west of Endorf's property. Motion John McLeod, Second Troy Helleloid to place new trees, walking area at Sportsman/Day Camp area and another access area. Motion died for lack of votes.

Motion John McLeod, Second Troy Helleloid to propose installing rip rap along the lake side between the Sportsman's Club and the Lake Mitchell Day Camp and planting trees which would help with shore and road stabilization. Motion approved and carried.

Motion John McLeod, Second Dave Allen to propose installing rip rap along the shore of the access area just west of Endorf's, which would provide shore stabilization. Motion approved and carried.

The Committee will propose the two plans to City Council for final approval.

Following are a few agenda items to be addressed at next month's meeting, riprap design plans; Pak27 Water quality; state park; fish habitat; sign update; bike trail update; Solar bee water testing and debris removal from lake.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m., noting the next meeting of the Lake Advisory Committee to be August 9, 2011 at the Recreation Center Conference Room.

Submitted by: Angel DeWaard