



Beach-chair News

A/K/A Beecher News

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A Note from the President



Hope you're ready for wonderful Fall Season of your favorite recreational activities. But before we get into that, we have some unfinished business to take care of.

Please take time to attend the annual meeting and picnic, Saturday Sept 3rd, 10a.m. at the Beecher Lake Public Beach (see details inside newsletter). We'll review the budget (now you're excited), and go over as a group any concerns or improvements you would like to surface.

We'll discuss the fish shocking and survey that will be performed by the WDNR the night of September 8th. We need your input on a path forward on that subject.

After a crisp, insightful, informative, and entertaining meeting (no longer than 90 minutes), we'll break for burgers, refreshments, spirited bidding, and raffles. All activities go to a great cause - raising money for fish stocking and paying for the annual picnic!

Most of all, it is a chance to meet more of your 68 neighbors on the lake and share a moment in the North.

Sorry the newsletter was a little late. We intended to send it earlier, but got behind in securing some of the information. Thank you for your patience....and if you complain, remember we are always open to volunteers to help improve things!

Joe Siudzinski – President, Beecher Lake Association

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Event	Date
Annual Budget Hearing/Meeting/Picnic, Beecher Public Beach	9/3/05, 10a.m.
Spring Meeting, Beecher Town Hall	5/27/06, 9a.m.
Annual Budget, Hearing/Meeting/Picnic, Beecher Public Beach	9/2/06, 10a.m.

Note from the Editor:



District Members and Neighbors,
I am always looking for news! Please feel free to provide any feedback or information for inclusion in future newsletters. Thanks. Judy Siudzinski @ Jsudster@sbcglobal.net or Home: (920)-337-4913 Cell: (920)-737-0517

2005 BUDGET UPDATE

BEECHER & UPPER LAKE, LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
Proposed Operating Budget
 Fiscal Year January, 1 2006 To December 31, 2006

OPERATING INCOME		
Project 2005 Year End Cash Balance	\$1,732.61	(1)
Estimated Interest Income (Credit Union)	\$25.00	
2005 Tax Levy	\$4,709.39	(2)
Total Income	\$6,467.00	
EXPENDITURES		
Capitalized Costs	\$0.00	
COST OF OPERATIONS		
Aquatic Plant Control	\$4,000.00	(3)
Reserve for Aerial Spray/Insect Control	\$567.00	(4)
Picnic & Social Committee	\$0.00	(5)
Fishing & Water Quality Committee	\$500.00	(6)
Shoreline Protection & Rehab. Committee	\$150.00	
Newsletter Committee	\$150.00	
Budget Committee	\$0.00	
Election Committee	\$0.00	
Dues & Memberships	\$100.00	(7)
Notice of Meetings	\$100.00	(8)
Legal Fees	0.00	
Insurance Premiums	\$400.00	(9)
Miscellaneous & Contingencies	\$500.00	
Total Expenditures	\$6,457.00	
2005 PROJECTED YEAR END FUND BALANCES		
Picnic Fund Reserve	\$1,779.00	
Insect Spraying Reserve (Marinette County)	\$567.00	
Fish Stocking Reserve	\$1,000.00	

Foot Notes to Operating Budget:

- (1) August, 2005 cash balance, adjusted for projected expenditures to year end. This includes balance due on 2005 weed harvesting contract, towing charge, notice of meeting publication expense, etc.
- (2) The proposed Tax Levy for 2006 results in an assessment per property owner of \$69.26. This compares as follows.

2006	\$69.26
2005	\$80.82
2004	\$80.60
2003	\$52.22
2002	\$77.07
2001	\$75.22

- (3) Actual cost of 2005 contract adjusted for fuel cost increase.
- (4) In 2005 we began reserving for aerial spraying of Gypsy moths. The spraying done in 2004 will be effective for 4-6 more years. By allocating this reserve each year, the fund will be available when needed, while spreading our cost.
- (5) The fall picnic is self-sustaining, and we now have a comfortable reserve that can be used for unanticipated expenditures.
- (6) The last fish planting was done in 2003. Though we budgeted \$500 in 2004 and 2005, the committee did not use those funds. Thus, a decision was made by the officers to establish a reserve. The current plan is to wait until the results of fish shocking by the DNR, currently planned for early September. Then a longer range plan will be developed and implemented.
- (7) Membership in the Wisconsin Association of Lakes.
- (8) Cost of newspaper publication of notice of Meetings, a requirement of Chapter 33 of Wisconsin Statutes.
- (9) The insurance contract was re-bid in 2005, resulting in significant savings. The budgeted amount is left unchanged due to uncertainty of premium, upon renewal.

ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC

REMEMBER 2004??.....BE SURE NOT TO MISS 2005!!

Picnic Committee:

Emil & Rita Gosse
Seymour
920 833-2868

Roland & Dorothy
Kehler
Green Bay
920 434-1169

Gail Schilling,
Kaukauna
920 766-3869

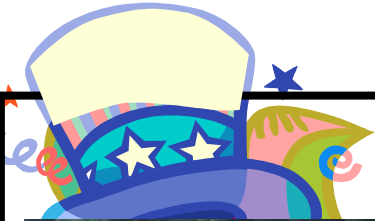
If you wish to donate
prizes for the picnic
fund raising please
contact anyone
above!



September 3rd, 2005 – 10:00 a.m.

What to bring:

- A dish to pass
- Eating utensils
- A comfortable chair
- Auction items
- Some cash to do some serious bidding



JULY 4TH ON BEECHER LAKE



Some very energetic patriots celebrated the holiday with class!! (Pontoon owner unknown; Picture donated by Helen Hohl)



UP NORTH FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

What a beautiful, serene setting we have here at Beecher Lake! Some of us have the great opportunity to enjoy this area all year round, while others relax and enjoy their time here as time permits. There are more and more residents and families vacationing and enjoying their homes around and near the Lake! How wonderful that is! We have great friends and neighbors here on Beecher! As there is more and more usage of the area, we all need to be more and more aware and considerate of each other. Here are some common sense suggestions to keep our families safe – especially our children.

- Please keep the speed limit on our Lake roads. There are many people walking, biking, jogging in the area – anticipate their presence by maintaining a slow, reasonable speed as you drive.
- Please “drive to the right” – keep to the far right hand side of the roads. With increased traffic, you probably will meet someone on the road – anticipate that, too!
- As you bike, jog or walk, please watch and listen for cars on the road.
- If you are a jogger or walker – always walk **facing** the traffic.
- Please drive ATVs alongside the road (NOT ON the road) slowly and with caution. Please, teach your children to drive the machine defensively, too.
- Beecher Lake is a NO WAKE LAKE – watch your speed.
- Remember your life jackets; make sure the children are **wearing** theirs.
- If you have a dog, keep it in your yard when you come to stay. Many residents and family members enjoy biking, jogging and walking around our beautiful lake. To be met or chased by a barking dog is **VERY FRIGHTENING**. No one should feel frightened while they relax and exercise here.



This is all part of being a good neighbor, a thoughtful neighbor, a neighbor who wants to maintain Beecher Lake as a safe area in which to live and vacation.

Let's keep all family and friends safe at Beecher Lake!

Beecher Lake Association

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