

Association of Pigeon Lake Municipalities Meeting Minutes  
June 18, 2013, 7:00 pm  
Leduc County Council Chambers

**Attendance:**

Larry McKeever, County of Wetaskiwin  
Doris Bell, Crystal Springs  
Randal Kay, Golden Days  
Don Davidson, Grandview  
Rex Nielsen, Itaska Beach  
Peter Langelle, Ma-Me-O Beach

Brian Keeler – Norris Beach  
Deb McDaniel, Poplar Bay  
Brian Waterhouse, Sundance Beach  
Harold Wynne, CAO: Silver & Sundance Beach  
June Boyda, CAO Itaska Beach & Recorder

**Regrets:**

Leduc County, Argentia Beach, Silver Beach

**Guests:**

Chris Teichreb, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development  
Bob Gibbs, Pigeon Lake Watershed Association  
Judy Stewart, LL.M,

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Brian Waterhouse called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

Additions: 6b Financial Statements – June 17, 2013

Moved by Don Davidson to approve the agenda as amended.

Carried

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Moved by Brian Keeler to approve the Minutes of the March 26, 2013 APLM Minutes as presented.

Carried

**4. Delegations:**

a) Pigeon Lake Watershed Association , Bob Gibbs

i) Dates for New Council 101

Suggested date after elections, to be discussed during the next APLM meeting.

ii) Presentations from Leadership Session

1) Watershed Management Plan TOR – Key Strategies and Topics

There has been broad representation involved in developing the PLWMP, and is now in a provisional draft open for public review and comment.

2) WMP Module 1 – Model Land Use Bylaw – Top Level  
Judy Stewart and Bob Gibbs presented a draft model land use bylaw. The bylaw is intended to provide general guidance for Municipalities related to riparian lands and uplands.

Members are encouraged to review the document and the topic to be brought back to the next APLM meeting for discussion as to how the model could be incorporated into existing land use bylaws and how it may impact development.

3) WMP Module 2 – Cosmetic Fertilizers – Background and Strategic Choices

Developing multi-level approaches for residents, local governments and the watershed stewardship group. Education is an important component, along with peer pressure and bylaws help to increase compliance. The process used to educate and enforce should be fair. Alternative practices should be provided.

Manage resident expectations – the impact on the lake may not be visible. Pre and post surveys to find out how much fertilizer people are using on their lawns.

## 5. **New Business**

### a. Weir Adjustment

Don Davidson discussed the adjustment of the weir by Alberta Environment. Due to frost jacking, the spill line was higher; the weir is now back at the agreed upon original level. There is currently water spilling over the weir.

A request could be put in to Alberta Environment to reset the level of the weir. Chris Teichreb advised that they are expensive to operate and maintain, so new ones are not being approved. Weirs are put in for downstream flood protection, recreational purposes – a number of factors for deciding the level. The range is probably satisfactory for most people.

The APLM members agreed that the current level of the weir is acceptable and should not be readjusted.

### b. Zebra and Quagga Mussels

Suggested that a notice should be posted at each of the boat launches to inspect boats before offloading your boat at the lake. Get the wording for the sign from AESRD.

c. Committee of the Whole

(a) Update of Water Augmentation Report Review

The report was given to the following for their review:

Dianne Orihel – University of Alberta

Carl Mendoza, Associate Professor, Earth Sciences – University of Alberta  
Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resources

Roger Clissold, Hydrologist, Hydrogeological Consultants Ltd.

Paul Wozniak, Geological Survey of Canada

The general consensus agreed with the findings of the report; their specific comments are attached as reference to the minutes.

Moved by Don Davidson to accept and publish the Water Augmentation report.

Larry McKeever requested a recorded vote.

FOR: Peter Langelle, Don Davidson, Larry McKeever, Brian Keeler

AGAINST: Rex Nielsen, Doris, Deb, Brian Waterhouse

ABSTAIN: Randal Kay

Defeated

Moved by Don Davidson to accept and publish the Water Augmentation report, unless the Pigeon Lake Watershed Association comes back with concerns on the substance of the report by July 18, 2013, otherwise the Pigeon Lake Watershed Association is assumed to have no position on the report.

Carried

(b) Committee Updates

The committees are continuing to research and review different options for the lake.

The Chemical / Mechanical Subcommittee has reduced 13 options to 4 possible feasible solutions.

Chris Teichreb is having Pigeon Lake sediment core samples tested which will assist in knowing whether dredging would have an impact.

Doris Bell asked who owned the Water Augmentation report and if an individual member would be able to publish the report on their own. The consensus was that the report was the property of the APLM. As Don Davidson was working on behalf of a sub committee of the APLM, and representing the APLM to any others that contributed or reviewed the report, the report and whether it is published or not is decided by the APLM and not any individual person.

9:28 p.m. Doris Bell left the meeting.

**6. Financials**

a) Status of \$500 payments for 2013 expenses  
All Chief Administrative Officer's have a copy of the APLM budget and will be presenting the request of \$500 per municipality.

b) Financial Statements – June 17, 2013  
Harold Wynne presented the Financial Statements dated June 17, 2013.

If information is required to be shared, it will be shared through each individual municipal website, rather than a separate APLM website.

Next meeting: October 22 at 7:00 pm

**7. Adjournment**

Moved by Don Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 pm.

Carried

THESE MINUTES ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013

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CHAIR

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RECORDING SECRETARY