

City of Tumwater
Barnes Lake Management District
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2010
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Tumwater City Hall – Main Conference Room
555 Israel Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98501

I. Call to order

Chair Peterson called to order the special meeting of the Barnes Lake Steering Committee (BLMD-SC) at approximately 6:00 p.m. on May 12, 2010 at Tumwater City Hall.

II. Roll call

The following members were present for the Steering Committee: Chair Kathy Peterson, Bill Baxter, Gary Bodeutsch, Bob Gillette, Bob Hayes, Judith Loft, John Swander and Staff Representative Smith. Vice-Chair Ron Lumaguip and Dana Day were excused.

III. Additions to Meeting Agenda

None.

IV. Approval of Minutes

The March 30, 2010 meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

V. Open Items

a) Lake Treatment Update

Staff Representative Smith reported that Northwest Aquatic Eco-Systems is gearing up for an initial treatment on the lake within the next week. In an email to Smith, Dorling stated that they will be launching the airboat and a large pump sprayer to spray the growth emerging on the floating islands as well as any lilies that have breached the surface of the lake. Dorling will also be again adding fluridone to the shallower areas near Daisy Lane to ensure these areas receive treatment during the low water periods.

Dorling stated it is too early for the pre-treatment survey, but he hopes to begin work on that as soon as vegetation starts to emerge later in the Spring.

b) Floating Mat Removal Update

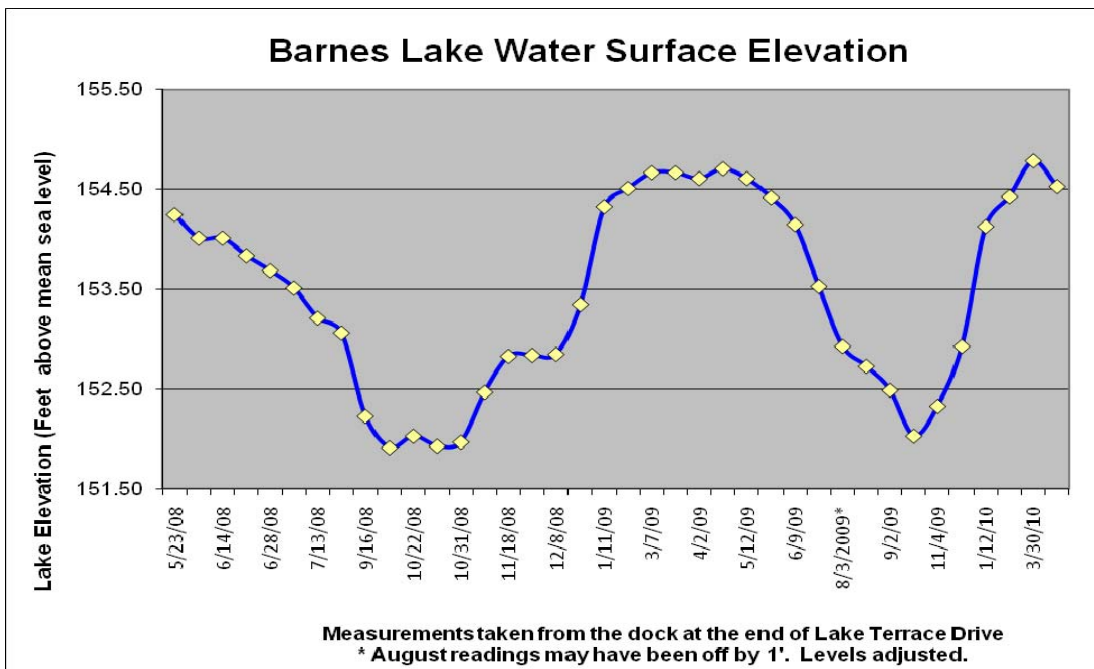
Dorling is also ready to enter into the permitting phase of the proposed boat launch project (see Item e, below). Smith will coordinate the schedule for DRC Review (City process) and be available for those meetings.

Chair Peterson reminded the group that Dorling had suggested a day of free labor on the lake; asking Smith when that would occur. Smith would remind Dorling and review upcoming invoices to ensure that was reflected.

Member Bodeutsch reported that he has been working on breaking up some of the floating mats near his property's shoreline. He said it takes approximately 30 minutes to break through a 4'x4' mat that is relatively new; "established" mats take longer. In both cases, the mat sank after his work but returned a few days later requiring additional work. Smith commented that this cycle is likely due to the release of gasses which cause the mat to float during the initial break up, then building back up and re-floating the mat.

c) Lake Level Update

Bill Baxter continues to provide periodic reports of lake levels, the latest recorded on 5/11/10 with an elevation of approximately 154.73 feet above mean sea level. Unless conditions change, it appears that the peak water level has been reached during the previous month and the water level is starting to decline. This is consistent with data from previous years.



d) 2010 Budget and Assessment Update

As of 5/12/2010, all assessments have been mailed, as well as follow-up reminders. Smith stated that there have been no changes to the budget since January and approximately \$14, 665.00 received from assessment collections. The LMD has been charged \$466.68 to date toward assessment collection by the City.

e) 2010 Work Plan Review

The Steering Committee briefly reviewed the 2010 work plan. All elements to date are either completed or in progress.

A few minor revisions were suggested to the work plan for clarification, as well as adding events relating to the permitting process for the proposed boat launch and floating mat removal project.

Chair Peterson has completed a draft of the outreach letter. She will provide a copy of it to the Steering Committee for review and comment before the next meeting. Once approved, the City will get it in the mail to the LMD. A postcard will be developed as a reminder for the public meeting in September once a date is confirmed.

f) Weiks Family Partners Agreement

Staff Representative Smith reported that a meeting was held with Donna Terhune of Weiks Family Partners, Bill Baxter, Doug Dorling and Smith to discuss the proposed project for the installation of a boat ramp on their property to facilitate access for lake clean-up. The meeting was productive and Ms. Terhune expressed a willingness to be good partners and work with the LMD, dependent upon an agreement limiting liability and access.

Smith stated that development of the agreement is in process and he hopes to have it completed and reviewed by the City Attorney before the end of the month.

VI. New Items - None

VII. Adjourn

Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:15 p.m. The next steering committee will meet next on June 9, 2010, at Tumwater City Hall.

Minutes submitted by: Dan Smith, Staff Representative

Minutes approved by: Barnes Lake Management District Steering Committee