

LAKE EDDINS OWNERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Meeting
February 04, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p m by Pres. Ron Bean. Members present were Jerry Perkins, Larry Nobles, Keith Davis and Freddie Raley. Lake Manager, Mac McClinthen was also present.

The Board reviewed the Financial Status as of January 31, 2013 including non-reoccurring expenses for the past month.

President Bean and Sec/Treas Freddie Raley reported on a short meeting with attorney Andrew Cardwell concerning what we are calling Title Project. There is some progress with more to come shortly.

Certified letters have been sent to property owners that have past due assessments. Five delinquent accounts have paid since letters were sent giving 30 days to pay in full.

Slippage on the dam was discussed. Dwayne Sharp, PE, PLS of AES Limited, PC of Meridian inspected the dam. Mr. Sharp was retained by the Board to prepare a scope of work for slope failure repair, site sketches of the area, estimate of construction cost, and bid schedule for the work. His report of 1/29/2013 has been received and was reviewed by the Board and will be included with the minutes of the meeting.

Lake Manager, McClinthen reported that four companies have expressed interest in bidding on the project. Bid packets prepared by Dwayne Sharp were sent via certified mail. Bids must be in to Lake Eddins by close of business Friday, February, 15, 2013. The Board will meet that Friday night to award the project.

Recommendations from Southeastern Pond Management concerning implications of lowering water level during dam repair were discussed. The letters from Southeastern Pond Management are on file at Lake Eddins office.

A motion was made, seconded and approved that until dam repair is completed and until Lake Eddins has reached normal water level, the following Fish Limits are in force:

**Bass-Catch and Release
Bream-Catch and Release
Catfish-No Limit
White Perch (Crappie)-No Limit**

McClinthen will check on the status of the old tractor.

The March 2013 Annual Meeting was discussed.

The Audit Committee will be asked to be the Inspectors of the Election. The current Audit Committee and nominees for the 2013/2014 Audit Committee consists of Lyn Starnes, Guy Morgan, and Tom Paulsen.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint Danny Kirkland, Vice President of the Lake Eddins Water Board for a term of five years, effective 03/03/2013.


Nominating Committee members appointed to submit nominations for 2013 Board of Directors are:

**Jerry Perkins (Chairman and current Board member)
Bill Burton
Guy Morgan
Shane Cook**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p m.

Minutes prepared by

Freddie Raley, Sec/Treas

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January 29, 2013

Lake Eddins POA
C/O Mr. Mac McClintchen
27 LE 1638
Pachuta, MS 39347

Dear Mr. McClintchen:

I enjoyed speaking with you yesterday. I am sorry to hear about the dam repair that will be required at Lake Eddins. Per our recent conversation, I suggest that we take a few precautions to reduce the impact of the low water levels.

Drawing the lake down in February is preferable to lowering the lake during the hot summer months. The lake has not yet stratified and there is no risk of a "turnover" by lowering the water level in February. Additionally, it is my hope that the spring rains will fill the lake by late March or April. The concerns and recommendations are as follows:

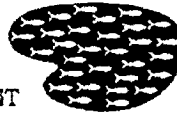
1. The cost for fertilizing Lake Eddins in 2013 will not change from the cost in 2012. The cost in 2012 was \$4,612.00 per application. However, we should hold off on fertilizing until the water level reaches near full pool levels. Once the water is about 12 inches from full pool, we can commence with fertilizing again. It is likely that we will only apply 7-8 of the standard 11 applications this year given the low water level.
2. Drawing the water level down in February prior to the spawn of all fish species in Lake Eddins should not impact the spawn of the fish this year. However, I suggest that we stop harvest of all fish species during the low water level. I encourage anglers to fish but to release fish until the water level reaches near full pool again. We will have a large biomass of fish in a much smaller body of water. This can make all fish species very subject to excessive harvest.
3. The low water level may make littoral weed growth more abundant this spring. By lowering the water level, we are exposing large areas of moist soil. If the weather warms and weed growth begins, these areas are prime locations for weed growth to occur. I can not say that weeds will be worse, but there is a risk there.
4. I encourage us to electrofish the pond this spring after water levels have returned to near normal levels. Assessing the fish population every year is essential to ensuring a healthy fishery. Again, the cost for the evaluation has not changed from 2012. The cost in 2012 was \$1,000.00 plus \$100.00 travel fee.

Overall, the draw down should have minimal impact to the fishery. A sustained low water level does make the forage base very vulnerable to the predator population. It will be best to minimize the amount of time that the water level is at low pool. The best case scenario would be to have the lake lower by mid-February and back to full pool by the end of March. Obviously we can not control all of these factors but I would encourage the contractors performing the work to complete the work as fast as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 601-594-9424. We look forward to your continued success.

Sincerely,
Scott Kirk
Fisheries Biologist, MS

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February 4, 2013

Lake Eddins POA
C/O Mr. Mac McClintchen
27 LE 1638
Pachuta, MS 39347

Dear Mr. McClintchen:

Per our recent conversation concerning the harvest of fish from Lake Eddins during the low water period, I can clarify some of the recommendations.

The harvest of catfish at anytime is recommended. Catfish are predators and they compete with bass for forage. The fewer the numbers of catfish, the greater the numbers of bass in the lake. I encourage anglers to harvest any and all catfish angled during any period of time.

The harvest of grass carp is not required. Grass carp are not predators and their presence or absence has no impact on the bass and bluegill fishery. Once grass carp are large (20+ pounds) they consume very little living aquatic vegetation. If an angler catches a large grass carp they may remove it. However, small grass carp will continue to consume living plant material. It is not necessary to target the grass carp for harvest.

Crappie tend to become too abundant in lakes and ponds. Crappie may be harvested when caught at anytime during the year.

It is not likely that gizzard shad will be angled from Lake Eddins. Although gizzard shad can be a very good forage for bass when the gizzard shad are small, large gizzard shad are too large for most bass to consume and are not benefitting the fishery. Gizzard shad may be removed but it is not likely that a significant number will be angled from the lake.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 601-594-9424. We look forward to your continued success.

Sincerely,
Scott Kirk
Fisheries Biologist, MS