1. CALL TO ORDER  The April 19, 2005 regular meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was convened by chair Gary Cox at 7:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL  Present were: Chair Gary Cox, Vice Chair Luke Michaud, Secretary/Treasurer Diane Longville; Directors George St. Germain, Greg Donovan, Mike Parenteau, Tom Alvarez, Scott St. Martin. A quorum was present. Recording secretary was Julie Yoho. Absent were: Thomas Hoffman & John Steinworth (both excused).

3. AGENDA
   - Gary will do Lake Education Committee report tonight for Thomas. Add item 8c1 “ice out”; add 8c2 “webpage”; add 8c3 “City of White Bear lake clean up”; add 8c4 “request to fund fertilizer use ad”.
   - New business: add “committee appointment”
   - Add item 8b5 “water patrol memo”

   MOTION #1 (Michaud/Parenteau) Move to approve agenda as amended. All Aye, Passed

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   Item 8b1, where it discusses the water patrol boat location – we’re unclear on the exact date the boat was moved to that location. Delete “last 4 years”

   MOTION #2 (Michaud/Parenteau) Move to approve minutes of March 15, 2005 with noted change. All Aye, Passed.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME
   Jim Greely
   Neighbor of Dellwood easement in Birchwood. There are issues with dock length, boat length, rules that aren’t being followed. Hours of operation not being followed. Went before Birchwood city council – city thinks they are not responsible for enforcing the rules. Lake Utilization Committee has heard complaint. Seems Birchwood has the authority, but is passing it back and forth. Can someone from the Board remind Birchwood of their authority and responsibility? Would like something done now, as this came up 1 ½ yrs ago, and issue has been being passed ever since. Luke Michaud will talk with them.

6. NEW BUSINESS:
   New Board member from Dellwood. Scott St Martin.
MOTION #3 (Michaud/St. Germain) Move to appoint Scott St. Martin to the Lake Quality Committee. All aye, Passed.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   none

8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS
   8a. Lake Quality Committee
      Swimmers itch – WBLCD will provide treatment for public beaches as needed on request by the city. Cities will be notified of our policy. Will have estimated cost amount next month
      MOTION #4 (Parenteau/Michaud) Move to proceed to send letters informing communities of our policy and procedure for swimmers itch treatment. All aye, Passed.

   8b. Lake Utilization Committee
      MOTION #5 (Donovan/Michaud) Move to approve these 3 permits – WB Yacht Club, Fast Track Events, Nicholson water ski course. All aye, passed.
      8b4. Redpath water ski course permit for 2005. Last year he had two permits for two different courses. This year he has asked for one in St. Germain Bay in Mahtomedi. No course in Birchwood.
      Dick Galena, Birchwood resident
      -Thank you for sending notifications to Birchwood residents regarding the ski course. Would like that to continue. Originally thought application included course in Birchwood where they had problems last year. There was confusion over where exactly it was going to be. Let record reflect objections to ski course in Birchwood area.
      MOTION #6 (Donovan/St. Germain) Move to approve permit for John Redpath water ski course in St. Germain Bay. All Aye, Passed.
      8b5. Ramsy County Water Patrol memo was provided to us to answer the question raised last month regarding annual report.

   8c. Lake Education Committee report
      8c1. Ice out was April 9. Winner of our contest was Caroline Sass.
      8c2. New webpage is now up and running. www.wblcd.org. Check it out and get comments to Thomas.
      8c3. City of White Bear Lake is sponsoring lake shore clean up May 7, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in all parks. Board member encouraged to participate.
      8c4. “Fertilizer use” ad.
      MOTION #7 (Cox/Michaud) Move to approve spending funds to run annual fertilizer add. All aye, passed

   8d. Treasurers report
MOTION #8 (Longville/Michaud) Move to approve April Treasurer’s report and pay checks 3567 – 3572. All aye, passed.

- 2006 budget draft worksheet. Final approval needed by June meeting. Anyone with requests get it in to Julie by next meeting.
- Gary would like to hold budget workshop for Board for in the beginning of May to discuss goal of reducing fund balance to approx. 80k. Julie will organize.

8e. Board Counsel report
no report

8f. Administrative staff report
no report

9. CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION #9 (St. Germain/Michaud) Move to approve consent agenda. ALL AYE, PASSED

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS
none

11. ADJOURNMENT
MOTION #10 (St. Germain/Michaud) Move to adjourn. ALL AYE, PASSED
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m

ATTEST:

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Administrative Secretary                   Date

APPROVED:

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Board Chairperson                          Date