

## July 13 --Lake Lot Owners Board Meeting

Attending: Kathy Welch, Terry Franks, Larry Reasoner, Gail Ellison, Steve Hermansky, Mark Ehrnst, Joe Stangl, Larry Mercier

The meeting was called to order by Kathy Welch at 6:45.

The primary issue of discussion was Bellevue City's **removal of the algae protection system.**

The board purchased an algae protection system and installed it in the wetlands beyond the dam in Zweibel Creek.

It was successfully holding back algae while allowing unobstructed water flow.

A complaint to the City of Bellevue prompted the Corps of engineers to request a removal of the system on July 30.

However, the city of Bellevue was removing it earlier in July. Fortunately the board was able to gain possession of the system before it was taken by the city.

### **A confusing chain of events then occurred:**

Mark Wray of the Corps of Engineers indicated that a permit was required for installation.

Bellevue wanted us to sign a waiver for removal of the system after it had been removed.

Since the Corps of Engineers are primarily concerned with navigable waters, there were questions about their concerns.

Amanda Grant (Natural Resources Department) could not shed light upon why the Corps was involved.

While the complaint said that the wetlands were changed by the presence of the system, the biologist from the Wetland management department indicated that it was causing no harm.

### **Solutions:**

The board will consult our lawyer before signing any waiver.

Motion : Steve Hermansky will talk to Mr. Wray about our predicament and follow up with the board.

Motion: Kathy Welch

2nd: Terry Franks

Unanimous vote.

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### **Additional discussion:**

Concerns were expressed about grass clippings dumped near the wetland.

The seawall is going well.

The dam needs caulking, but it has been difficult to find a reliable tradesperson.

Larry Mercier is going to get a bid for clearing brush and spraying plants.

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 by Joe Stangl.

2nd: Steve Hermansky