

## RESOLUTION

Commissioner Tautges offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the property owners on Crow Wing Lake have submitted a petition with the requisite number of signatures to Crow Wing County to establish an improvement district to address lake management, aquatic vegetation control and related services to Crow Wing Lake, and

WHEREAS, the petitioners requested the name of the improvement district be established as the Crow Wing Lake Improvement District, and

WHEREAS, the petitioners requested an improvement district board of directors be established to include five members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Crow Wing County, Minnesota establishes the Crow Wing Lake Improvement District to address lake management, aquatic vegetation control and related services to Crow Wing Lake.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED said Improvement District is to have a board of directors consisting of five members.

Which resolution being seconded by Commissioner Sluss was duly adopted, all members voted "AYE".

  
ED LARSEN, CHAIRMAN  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CROW WING COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ATTEST:

  
DEBORAH A. ERICKSON, COUNTY AUDITOR  
CROW WING COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Dated at Brainerd, Minnesota, this 5th day of September 2006.

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## PETITION FOR THE CREATION OF A LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ON CROW WING LAKE.

On this date, June 3, 2006, the Crow Wing Lake Association, by unanimous vote, expressed it's desire to form a Lake Improvement District. We, the undersigned lake shore property owners on Crow Wing Lake, in compliance with Minnesota Statute 103B.521, representing the majority of the 149 property owners, do hereby petition the Crow Wing County Commissioners to approve and establish the "Lake Improvement District for Crow Wing Lake":

NAME	ADDRESS
David & Judy Swearingen	2148 Sleepy Hollow Rd
RAYMOND GUSTAFSON	5471 CROW WING LAKE RD
MARVIN & Bodil Dahl	5563 " " "
Sandra & Dorothy Agee	5215 " " "
Lyle and Patricia Bourdon	5545 " " "
Don & Marilyn Granlund	5043 Crow Wing Lake Rd
Jan Odegard-Beller	5229 " " "
Ann Hanauska	2645 CHIPPEWA SHORES
DEL SECHAFER	2360 SLEEPY HOLLOW RD
Margaret Jorke	2809 Chippewa Sh Rd
Mickey Poller	2715 Chippewa " "
Mark Peterson	2705 " "
Mary Ann New	2258 Sleepy Hollow Rd
Paul Hansen	2849 CHIPPEWA SHORES ROAD
Jana Fryberg	5061 SWAN TRAIL
Steve Chudek	2733 Chippewa Shores Road
Trent Laughridge	2687 Chippewa Shores Road
Timothy Th	5653 Crow Wing Lake Rd

Donell J. Bultman  
Jan Odegard-Beller  
Del Sechaffer  
Mark Peterson  
Steve Chudek  
Trent Laughridge  
Timothy Th

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**WHY WE NEED A LAKE  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.**

**To develop a permanent, long term program for weed control.**

**To support the program with a reliable and equitable source of funds.**

**To provide a representative body in charge of the program that is  
responsive to the property owners of Crow Wing Lake.**

*Carl H. Anderson*  
*Gerrit E. Anderson* } 5635 Crow Wing Lk. Rd.

**LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT PROGRAM  
FOR CROW WING LAKE  
(MN statutes 103B.501 - 103B.581)**

Minnesota Statutes allow local citizen initiatives to petition counties to create lake improvement districts in order to address specific concerns within a lake watershed that cannot be addressed under normal governmental actions. Citizens and counties willing to undertake such initiatives benefit from greater local involvement in the management of their own lakes. DNR Waters provides oversight and assistance.

The name of the district shall be: **CROW WING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

There shall five (5) directors, chosen by the **Crow Wing Lake Association**. The terms of office shall be three (3) years. All directors shall be property owners and at least three (3) must be residents. Vacancies are filled by majority vote of the property owners attending the annual meeting. The **District** shall hold an annual meeting of property owners, at which time it will:

- 1) approve the district budget for the upcoming year.
- 2) approve or disapprove any project costing the district more than \$5000, and
- 3) discuss other district activities.

The **District** shall include all properties with lakeshore frontage on **Crow Wing Lake** and with outer boundaries as follows: all properties west of the lake bounded by Hwy.371 right-of-way; On the south by Co Rd. 131 (Sleepy Hollow Rd); On the SE and East by Crow Wing Lake Road; and on the north by Lennox Rd.; and shall also include part of section 1-T43N-R32W of Fort Ripley Township and part of section 36-T44N-R32W of Crow Wing Township as defined by the edges of the wetland as part of the Crow Wing Lake watershed, and terminating at township road #45. However, since such properties are not now covered by the Crow Wing Lake Management Plan, such properties shall not be levied against, until, if ever, such land is benefitted by improvements created by the Lake Improvement District

Operating funds shall be raised to support the goals of the **Lake Improvement District** by assessing (through the levy of taxes) of the properties within the **District**.

The purpose of the **Lake Development District** is stated in the **Crow Wing Lake Vegetation Management Plan**, which assessed the lake's problems and outlined remedial actions. The **Plan**, developed in June, 2001, was submitted to and approved by the **Department of Natural Resources**. It outlined chemical control of exotic weed, Curly-leaf pondweed, coontail, northern watermilfoil, filamentous algae and snails. The **Plan** also acknowledged nutrient problems, most of which enter the lake from

our 16.5 sq. mile, 7 mile long watershed. Dealing with this problem remains one of the main challenges. For the past 4 years the financing of these programs has been provided by voluntary donations, which have neither been adequate nor equitable.

**Crow Wing Lake** is a eutrophic lake. The littoral area (that part of the lake which is 15' deep or less) of the lake is 210 acres or 55%. It harbors 9 species of emergent aquatic plants and 16 species of floating leaf and submerged aquatic plants. The **Plan** calls for control of aggressive species and protection of aquatic plants that benefit fish and wildlife.

**Crow Wing Lake** has a public access owned, operated and maintained by the **DNR**. It provides adequate area for a boat landing, a dock for fishing and an area for recreational swimming. A private camp ground also provides similar facilities for it's guests.

At the June 3, 2006 meeting of the Crow Wing Lake Association the amount of annual assessment against each lakeshore property owner was set at \$200. The amount will be determined annually by the L.I.D. board in accordance with the budgetary requirements and agreed to by the membership at it's annual meeting.

The estimated total assessed valuation of the property within the **District** is \$26,240,000.

## **COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CROW WING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.**

On June 3, 2006, the Crow Wing Lake Association passed a resolution to form a Lake Improvement District. They also elected 5 property owners to serve three year terms on the board of directors of the district, as follows:

Rick Pederson, President of the Crow Wing Lake Assoc.

2749 Chippewa Shores Rd., Brainerd, MN 56401

Art Hinnenkamp, Past President of the CWL Assoc.

2213 Shady Nook Rd., Brainerd, MN 56401

Marlene Chabot, Vice President, CWL Assoc.

5339 Crow Wing Lake Rd, Fort Ripley, MN 56449

Paul Hanson, At Large

2849 Chippewa Shores Rd., Brainerd, MN 56401

Lyle Bourdon, At Large

5545 Crow Wing Lake Rd., Fort Ripley, MN 56449

Terms will start and be effective on the date that the district becomes a legal entity.

All of the elected members are permanent residents of their properties.









LYLE BOURDON  
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Ms Debbie Erickson  
Crow Wing County Auditor  
Court House  
Brainerd, MN 56401

Re: Crow Wing Lake Improvement District

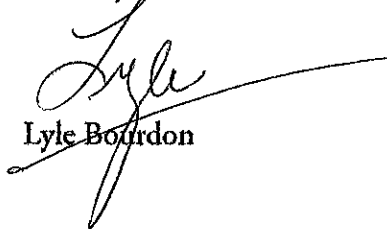
Dear Ms Erickson,

Our Lake Improvement District was approved, as we submitted it, on Sept.5th, by the county commissioners. However, there was an error in the document which was submitted.

Under the description of "District" it reads on lines 5 and 6: "....and part of section 36-T44-R32W of **Crow Wing township** as defined by the edges of....."  
The **Crow Wing township** should be replaced with **Fort Ripley Township**.

I am enclosing 2 copies of the corrected form for your records. Please destroy the original copies.

Thank you,



Lyle Bourdon