CLRSD Meeting Notes 2.5.09

After the opening meeting preliminaries, the new CLRSD board member from Leaf Valley opened with questions relative to engineering costs & expenses incurred in January by the CLRSD. The attorney explained; though the costs may have shown up as January expenses, most the work was done in 2008.

The 1/31/09 Public Hearing concerning the Comprehensive Plan was then reopened. Procedural matters were discussed & resolved as planned.

The regular monthly meeting of CLRSD was then started again. A motion was made to begin planning to dissolve (wind down) the CLRSD. The attorney for CLRSD explained the dissolution process wasn't as simple as making a motion to do so. Shutting down will take time & must be done carefully. It was mentioned Representative Torrey Westrom is working on legislation (to shut down CLRSD) which will be presented to the state legislature for enactment. The General Manager, CLRSD attorney & township attorneys will work with Westrom to affect a proper result.

Opposition groups suggested they would come up with a plan for Douglas County to inspect & regulate Individual Sewage Treatment Systems, similar to Ottertail County's inspection procedure.

Moe & La Grand Townships presented resolutions to withdraw from the CLRSD.

The Moe Township resolution to withdraw was read in its entirety. It mentions Moe Townships' intention of talking to Alexandria Lakes Area Sanitary District (ALASD) about providing waste water service for Lobster Lake. The CLRSD attorney & the attorney for Moe/La Grand discussed details of both resolutions with the board. A motion was made to have the chairman & the General Manager sign an acknowledgement of receipt of the petitions to withdraw. They will also send a letter authorizing Moe Township to talk to ALASD regarding waste water service for Lobster Lake. The CLRSD attorney will advise if the withdrawal resolutions & authorization to talk to ALASD letter wording is correct.

A Moe Township resident began to object to something but was told the matter was best discussed during the monthly Moe Township meeting.

Total CLRSD financial liability was brought up. It appears total liability is approximately \$3.4 million with approximately \$341,000 in cash remaining. This amount will be adjusted up or down as the district is dissolved. Also, the district owns property (where the sewage plant was to be constructed in Phase III) which will be sold.

In the opinion of both attorneys (CLRSD & Township), the easements obtained by CLRSD for Lobster Lake can be transferred. They will advise later after studying case law.