

**MINUTES OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)  
OF THE  
COMFORT LAKE -FOREST LAKE  
WATERSHED DISTRICT**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012**

1) **Call to Order**

Administrator Thomas called the CAC meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. at the Forest Lake City Offices, 220 North Lake Street, Forest Lake, Minnesota

Present: Bruce Anderson  
Staff: Doug Thomas, Lisa Tilman (EOR)  
Others: Bob Roethke

2) **Introductions/Member Updates**

3) **General Purpose and Scope of CAC**

Administrator Thomas referred the group to a handout in the meeting packet which gives information about the purpose and duties of the CAC.

*The Comfort Lake - Forest Lake Watershed District Watershed (CLFLWD) Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) is an advisory group that is made up of volunteers who advise the Board of Managers on water-related community concerns and issues. The CAC's purpose, as established by the Board of Managers is to provide public input to the CLFLWD regarding policy and project matters, provide a channel of communication to the Board Managers, aid in fostering a positive public image of the CLFLWD, and help to educate the public about the CLFLWD's goals and accomplishments.*

4) **Update on Current Projects**

Engineer Tilman went through a presentation that provided members with an update on the following projects:

- a) **Sunrise River Petition Project.**
- History of project and petition
  - Water quality goals in relation to Comfort Lake
  - Project investigations conducted in the project area/corridor.
  - Explanation of urban stormwater retrofits.
  - Shallow Pond
  - Wetland enhancements for water quality

- b) **Moody Lake In-Lake Treatments.**
  - Project purpose.
  - Relationship of Moody Lake to downstream water quality of Bone Lake.
  - Overview of the investigation which included lake vegetation, fish, soil sediments, and watershed loading.
  - Discussion of management actions and 2012 planned activities
  
- c) **BMP Cost-Share Programs.**
  - Overview of the two new cost-share programs that will be implemented in 2012 including the Ag/Rural BMP Incentive & Cost-Share Program, and the Municipal/Urban Stormwater Retrofit Program.
  - Discussion of the role of the CAC in the review and ranking of proposal submitted for the Municipal/Urban Stormwater Retrofit Program.
  
- 5) **Districts 2012 Work Plan**
  - Administrator Thomas went through the 2012 work plan and highlighted some of the new activities that will be carried out in 2012.
  
- 6) **Discuss Themes/Topics of Future CAC Meetings**
  - Interest was expressed over AIS training.
  - How to get more involved with lake associations.
  - Possible watershed tour.
  
- 7) **Ideas for Expanding CAC Membership.**
  - Seek input from Board on possible members.
  - Recruit members from lake associations.
  
- 8) **Other**
  
- 9) **2012 Meeting Schedule**
  - Next meeting dates are July 19, 2012, and November 8, 2012
  
- 10) **Adjourn**