

TWIN LAKES BEACH ASSOCIATION INC.

FLOOD ACTION COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT, JUNE 27TH 2012

The following is a point form summary of the Flood Action Committee's activities from the period June 12th, 2011 to June 27th, 2012:

- Liaisoned with TLB Executive by attending all Executive Meetings.
- Issued 5 Communiqués to Assoc. Members. Posted on our Web Site.
- Accommodated Members by organizing Private Appraisals for property owners
- Developed and published on our website a "yellow pages" Listing of Available Contractors.
- Organized TWO Large Group Information Sessions at Sisler High School for the Assoc. Members:
 - 1.) Tutorial on MASC and Water Stewardship Programs with key representatives from Gov. Depts. Attending and assisting in explanations.
 - 2.) CLASS ACTION SUIT INFORMATION NIGHT
- Developed a Government Programs Summary Sheet for easier reference for our Assoc. Members that was adopted by the Government for reference purposes as well.
- Presented our Positions and Arguments on Lake Levels and Program Inadequacies to:
 1. Premier Greg Selinger at the Brandon Forum Pre-Election
 2. Minister Steve Ashton – private mtg. at the Legislature
 3. Mike Yaceniuk, Sr. Director of MASC- meetings at Portage la Prairie
 4. Steve Topping – Water Stewardship
 5. Deputy Ministers – round table discussions at the Legislature.
- Worked co-operatively with Members of the Manitoba Conservative Party (in particular Ralph Eichler, Stu Briese, and Ian Wishart) to have our voice heard in the Legislature during question periods prior to the election and during this spring's sitting.
- Worked extensively with Manitoba Liberal Leader, Jon Gerrard, to produce and publish a Report Card on the efforts of the NDP to Address the FLOOD Issues:
- Appeared and Commented at THREE Media Release Conferences with Liberal Leader, Jon Gerrard, at the Manitoba Legislature:

1. Jon Gerrard's Report and Recommendations on the FLOOD of 2011
 2. Report Card on the NDP's Performance and Response to the FLOOD
 3. Release of Scott Forbe's Model proving the FLOOD was man-made
 4. Assisted Jon Gerrard in formulating Questions for Question Period during spring sitting at the Legislature.
- Kept "our story" ALIVE throughout the year:
 1. Media Interviews: CBC, CTV, Global
 2. Free Press Stories and Interviews, as well as Rural Papers
 3. CJOB Richard Cloutier 3 appearances.
 - Provided assistance to individuals who were struggling with understanding the various programs and submitting claims.
 - Represented Twin Lakes Beach Assoc. at all Association of Lake Manitoba Stakeholder Meetings.
 - Made Connections with First Nations and reached concensus on Common Causes such as Artificial Flooding and the shortfalls of Gov. Efforts to control Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin.

SUCSESSES:

- Twin Lakes Beach Association members and members of other nearby developments had a reliable, accurate, and easy to access source of current information regarding FLOOD issues.
- *The Twin Lakes Beach Story* was portrayed by many different media outlets and our plight was in the fore front for most of 2011/2012.

DISAPPOINTMENTS:

- No Movement by Government to remove the distinction of Principal vs. Non-Principal Residents and the Compensation Caps that go with it.
- Not being able to report to you today with any confidence that the Government is going to operate Lake Manitoba at a lower operating range. OR...That they are willing to adopt our EQUATION of Water

coming in(Portage Diversion) MUST EQUAL water going out.(Fairford Structure enhancement/or second direct outlet from Lake Mb.)

CONCLUSION:

TO CONCLUDE THIS REPORT ON A POSITIVE NOTE: THE ABOVE DISAPPOINTMENTS ARE STILL A WORK IN PROGRESS IF THE GOVERNMENT'S TASK FORCE IS A GENUINE EFFORT. OUR COMMITTEE HOPES TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO THIS TASK FORCE AND PRESENT OUR ASSOCIATION'S POSITION ON THESE ISSUES.

YOU CAN HELP>>>>>>>>> PLEASE GO TO THE TASK FORCES WEBSITE <http://www.2011manitobafloodreviewtaskforce.ca/survey/>

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE TASK FORCE AND HOW YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR OWN PERSONAL EXPERIENCES AND OPINIONS REGARDING THE FLOOD.

Respectfully Submitted,

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