

Annual Meeting and Budget Review

Where: Lakeview Elementary School
W8363 R & W Townline Road

When: August 24, 2013
(Note new 1/2 hour earlier starting time)

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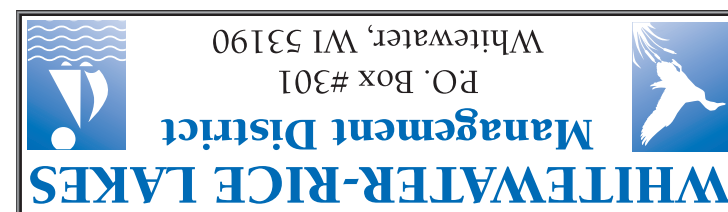
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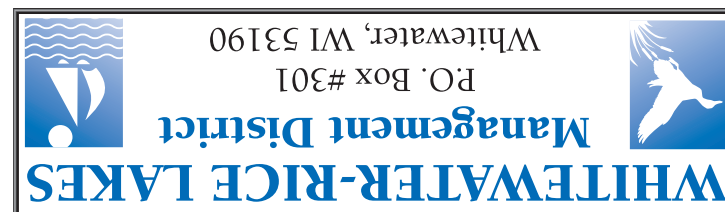
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2014 WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES TAX ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

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Cost per tax parcel	\$225.70	\$270.41	\$270.43	\$280.54	\$10.13	3.7%	\$10.11	3.7%
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TAX ASSESSMENT	\$10,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
Cost per tax parcel	\$14.20	\$42.61	\$42.61	\$42.61	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENTS	\$168,891	\$220,639	\$220,650	\$227,500	\$6,850	4.1%	\$6,850	3.1%
Cost per tax parcel	\$239.90	\$313.02	\$313.04	\$323.15	\$10.11	4.2%	\$10.11	3.2%

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES PROPOSED 2014 OPERATING BUDGET

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Contributions & Other	\$ 179	\$ 11	\$ 200	\$ 10	(1)	-9.3%	(190)	-95.0%
Total District Revenue	159,069	190,650	190,850	197,510	6,860	3.6%	6,660	3.5%
Operating Expenses								
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General & Administrative	12,506	14,206	13,900	15,360	1,154	8.1%	1,460	10.5%
Total Operating Expenses	172,445	190,650	190,850	197,510	6,860	3.6%	6,660	3.5%
Transfers To/(From)								
To Capital Reserve Fund	(13,375)	-	-	-				
To Next Years' Operations	0	-	-	-				
From Prior Years' Operations	-	-	-	-				
Net transfers	(13,375)	-	-	-				
Net surplus/ (deficit)	(0)	0	0	0				
Assessed Valuation (000 omitted)	\$255,889	\$255,889	\$255,889	\$255,889				
Change from Prior Yr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
Mil Rate	\$ 0.745	\$ 0.745	\$ 0.745	\$ 0.772				
Average (704 Tax Parcels)	\$ 270.41	\$ 270.43	\$ 270.43	\$ 280.14				

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES CAPITAL RESERVE FUND ACTIVITY

Capital Reserve Fund	2012 Actual	2013 Projected	2014 Proposed
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Additions:			
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Budgeted capital assessments	10,000	30,000	30,000
Interest income earned/transf'd	290	100	100
Total Additions	(3,086)	30,100	30,100
Expenditures			
Equipment Purchases	-	(15,141)	-
Major overhauls (1)(2)	(18,549)	(18,428)	(65,000)
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