

COUNTRY POND LAKE ASSOCIATION
Minutes 10-22-2017

Present: Greg Senko; Linda Foss; Jennifer West; Bill Cashin; Jeannie Cashin

New Business:

Email:

Jennifer successfully changed the password for the g-mail account on 10/9.

Facebook page:

Tully secured administrator capabilities for the current Facebook page. All alleged negative links have been removed. He will add a disclaimer to the Facebook page.

Website:

Tully will provide access to the GoDaddy account, so we can begin to develop the website.

NP-1 Application:

Jeannie went to Concord to submit the Articles of Agreement, file the NP-1 application (\$25 fee). Certification as a NH nonprofit Corporation was granted on 10/11.

501c3 status:

Greg suggested that we file the 501c3 form soon, there is a \$275 cost to submit the application. Jenn suggested splitting the cost among the four acting officers, as we have no association funds at this time. All have agreed. Jennifer, as acting Treasurer, will obtain & file the short form application for the 501c3.

State Attorney General's Office registration:

Greg will register CPLA with the State Attorney General's office, per charity registration requirements.

Town Registration:

Tully filed a copy of the Articles and Certificate of registration in the Town of Newton on 10/17.

Member Communications:

A message was composed, approved by majority of acting Board and sent to potential members to clarify our mission and differentiate from Country Pond Association NH.

Contact list:

Jennifer and Jeannie met and updated the information, via tax cards, of homeowners in Newton, on and around the pond. Jeannie will create an Excel document of Newton waterfront/access residents.

By-laws:

Greg has worked on our by-laws & reviewed the proposed additions. A few more additions were suggested, including having an uneven number of Board members for a majority vote and allowing voting by email. We need to define a process for amending by-laws, and to add that Members may attend Board meetings but only Board members may vote at these meetings. Greg will add the agreed upon components to the by-laws.

NH Lakes Association:

The Board recognizes the need to apply for grants to assist in funding programs and committees for the benefit of water quality. This process can be assisted and simplified through membership in the NH Lakes Association. We feel that it is necessary to start the collection of dues to enable us to accomplish these goals. Jeannie will contact NH Lakes.

Bank Account:

Jennifer will research local banks to determine if there is a fee associated with a nonprofit account.

Next meeting is: 10-28-2017