

Country Pond Lake Association

Meeting by Zoom

January 11, 2022 7:00 pm

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:10

Present: Susan, Bill, Jen, Greg, Linda, Jeff, Jeannie, Tobi

Review and accept minutes from last meeting: Greg will send out December minutes to accept at next meeting

Treasurer's report:

- Financial update and member renewals
 - Checking account balance \$2,605.64, not including \$500 from Pam Brown
 - Savings \$2,010.69 (insurance reserve)
 - Will need \$3k for insurance, (\$1500/yr while grant work being conducted, will count as match)
 - Should move \$500 this year and \$500 next year
- Jen and Jeff have been working on the tax filings. Jeff to contact the state to confirm the due date. One other filing is due in May. Jen and Jeff will arrange a meeting to complete.

Committees:

- VLAP: No new data.
 - Need to track Ice In, 1.11.22
- Social Media:
 - Support HB1066 establishing a commission to investigate and analyze the environmental and human and animal health impacts relating to cyanobacteria blooms in New Hampshire
 - Updated cover photo to winter
- Weed Watchers: No activity
- Lake Host: No Activity

Communications:

- All 2021 Thank you/receipt letters for membership donations have been sent
- NH Lakes sent brochures and wanted posters we can use for our door-to-door Lake awareness outreach/membership drive. Linda will draft a letter to get people involved or continue involvement with CPLA.
- Email blast to support HB1066 establishing a commission to investigate and analyze the environmental and human and animal health impacts relating to cyanobacteria blooms in New Hampshire.

Old Business:

Watershed Assistance Grant application due on Friday Jan 14. Greg is working closely with Sally and will get it submitted on time.

- Greg working with Mike Pivero to get an updated estimate of what he can provide for match
- Greg and Linda will draw up a letter of support indicating that CPLA is committed to do the administrative work, and other monitoring, outreach etc. to be signed by CPLA officers.

Some issues that have complicated the submission:

- Based on discussion with the Newton Town Engineer, the boat ramp design has been significantly improved and the original cost estimate has increased nearly 3-fold from \$25k to \$70k. Our grant is only \$50k, requiring a cash match of \$20k. This level of cash match was not anticipated.
- New improved design includes 2 infiltration basins to capture the road runoff with a swale on the side. Ramp to be paved ½ way down then concrete slabs with spacers in between to allow for infiltration. Slabs to extend the ramp into the lake. This design will greatly improve the usability of the ramp while reducing phosphorus entering the lake.
- The total value of the project, including all the match we would provide to manage the project, is now ~\$111,000. CPLA may need to go to the town to help raise the required cash match.

Plans to move forward:

We can work on the project over two seasons in order to gain additional time to raise the \$20k cash match.

In the first year:

- Concannon Rd work (\$2K materials plus Kingston labor/equip as match)
- Contract for engineering drawings to complete the ramp design (\$5K)
- Wetlands and Shoreland permit applications for ramp project after drawings completed

In the second year:

- Raise remaining matching cash funds from warrant article, fund raising drive and possibly other grants (if available).
- Complete work on boat ramp

New Business:

Sue to ask Marie to ask for a new winter photo to be used on website and Facebook

Next Meeting Date and Place: Tuesday February 15, zoom

Adjourn: 7:59

Respectfully Submitted by;
Sue Zipkin, CPLA Secretary

To do list:

Raffle - Reach out early April to CPLA membership to get donations

Annual Meeting Planning

Ice Fishing Derby coordinate with Fish and Game