

# Minutes

## Country Pond Lake Association

March 26, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm via Zoom

**Present:** Greg Senko, Sue Zipkin, Linda Foss, Barbara DiVecchia, Bill Cashin, Liz MacNeil, Jon Simard, Joel Daly

**Absent:** Tobi Howell, Jennifer West

**Minutes:** Minutes from the 2/27/2024 meeting were reviewed. MM&S to accept the minutes, all in favor.

### **Treasurers report:**

- Account Balances: \$26,387.35
- Sue set up a phone number for CPLA, and the next step is to set up a new Venmo account. She also got a debit card for CPLA.

### **Committees:**

- **VLAP:** Bill will pick up the bottles on May 5<sup>th</sup>, and the first sampling will be done on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Bill will be asking Alicia for help with this. Joel has done some work on aggregating the testing data, but it's difficult to do and he feels he is not qualified to do the aggregation. Bill sent a summary of testing results from NH Lakes, and this has been posted to the CPLA website. Greg will move it higher up on the page so that it's more visible. It was also suggested to make a link to this data available from the home page.
- **Social Media:** Tobi gave his update via email: My Social Media update is to do with the post I made on our FB page on the town vote day- It was liked 6 times directly including NH Lakes- and shared 5 times then liked on some other pages. We got some extra follows and likes for the whole page. I put our website in the post to direct people to the page for any other information they may want.
- **Lake Host:** Joel met with Pat Masterson and still needs to meet with Jen. We have approximately \$5010 available from the Newton warrant article and the NHLAKES grant. We will most likely need additional money to fully fund this, and it's expected that the additional money will come from CPLA. Joel is putting together a list of paid and volunteer hosts, and he still needs to get access to Jen's old schedule.

### **Communications:**

- Linda has sent out thank-you/receipt letters to those who donated last.
- Next communication will be for Earth Day. We will do our cleanup on Saturday April 20th from 9am - Noon. Joel mentioned that Terex would like to participate with CPLA in the Earth Day cleanup. Greg will follow up with them to see what the extent of their involvement may be. Jen should have some bags, signs, etc. from last year's Earth Day, and Sue will reach out to her. Bill has volunteered to help with pickup of the garbage

bags and drop off. Linda is going to update the CPLA flyer, and Liz will reach out to NH Lakes to ask for 200 copies of their Lawn Care Sheet to include with the Earth Day flyer. Liz and Sue will put these items in a recyclable bag and tie them to lakeside houses' front doors on the Newton side. They will need help with doing the same on the Kingston side. Sue also suggested that we organize some cleanup of the shoreline as well.

- Will also need to send out a communication regarding the Annual Meeting to be held on Saturday June 8, 2024.

### **Old Business**

- Joel has set up Google Workspace for CPLA – Joel and Greg are the admins. The advantages are that everyone will have their own account and email, and we can set up shared folders and create groups. He has also set up a YouTube channel for CPLA. The original links that Joel sent out have expired, so he will re-send to those who haven't logged in yet.
- Annual meeting date: Saturday June 8, 2024, from 9-12. Greg has reached out to the Dam's Bureau for a guest speaker but has not heard back from them yet. He also reached out to NH DES for a "Soak up the Rain" presentation, but the woman who does the presentation is on leave and not available. Greg also plans to speak to Amy regarding a possible presentation on exotic plant removal.

### **New Business:**

- Boat Ramp – The test pits have been dug, and Greg received an email from Mike stating that they are moving ahead and completing the plans.
- Sue mentioned that we should order some more CPLA decals that we could include in the Earth Day bags. We should also start thinking about ordering some new CPLA swag.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday April 16, 2024 at 7PM**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm