

Country Pond Lake Association

74 Wilders Grove Rd.

April 30, 2019 7 pm

Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Greg, Jeannie, Jennifer, Tobi, Bill, Linda, Patricia Masterson

Meeting called to order at 7:12 pm

Review and accept minutes from last meeting: Motion to accept, Greg – 2nd Jeannie

Treasurers report: The bank account balance is currently \$1173.46 including the \$500 per year reserve fund to cover mandatory liability insurance for future grant applications. Jen will pay \$300 to NH Lakes for a Partner level membership. She is working on the annual report filing, due this month.

Ottati & Goss:

The board discussed the news release about high PFAS levels at the Ottati and Goss superfund site in Kingston, which is adjacent to Country Pond. CPLA will update our membership as more information becomes available.

Committees:

VLAP:

The first water sampling is scheduled for 5/21/2019. Alicia has agreed to do a presentation of the results from 2018 testing at the annual CPLA meeting on June 1st at the Kingston Community Library.

Social Media:

Tobi has reached out and obtained permission to post CPLA's Facebook information on other Community sites. This is resulting in many more followers and interest.

Weed Watchers:

No updates. Tobi will be contacting the 2018 team of Weed Watchers soon. He will contact Amy at NH DES to obtain additional kits, as needed and maintain a visible presence for his team.

Lake Host:

Greg presented to the Newton Board and requested permission to start a Lake Host program at the Newton boat ramp. Permission was granted. The Select Board requested that we post flyers to inform boaters that they may be greeted at the boat ramp by a courtesy inspection staff member starting Memorial Day.

Patricia Masterson, Greg Senko and Jennifer West attended the Lake Host Coordinator training in Concord last Tuesday. The three will share this position for 2019. They will schedule and track hours and expenditures for the program. Payroll information is sent to NH Lakes for processing. Photos and samples of potential invasives are sent to NH DES for identification.

CPLA received the official notification of the payroll grant award for \$1,000 to help pay for lake host inspectors to staff the ramp. CPLA must follow the terms of participation:

- Membership with NH Lakes at a minimum of the Partner (\$300) level.
- Provide a 100% (minimum) expense match with CPLA funds and/or volunteer time plus allowed lake host program expenses.

Donations can be made to NH Lakes specific to the Country Pond Lake Host program.

Communications:

Earth Day announcements and a news roundup were sent out. Our next focus will be on the Annual Meeting and membership renewal. Linda completed the CPLA brochure, the Board approved the fee for printing a minimal amount and we have been distributing them. A few revisions will be made and additional brochures will be printed. Motion to spend up to \$60 for print by Jeannie, 2nd by Jen – unanimous approval.

Website updates include Our Team, PayPal link, Lake Host program and Earth Day report.

Old Business:

The RPC Watershed Management Plan project is slightly delayed but moving in a positive direction. Additional tote bag and decal deliveries were made to our CPLA Sponsors.

New Business:

We discussed the option of a porta-potty at the boat ramp to accommodate Lake Host inspectors. A majority of the board did not support this option for a number of reasons. Jeannie has suggested that we ask Camp Tasker for permission to utilize their facility if needed.

CPLA's Annual Meeting will be held at the Kingston Library on June 1, 2019 at 9am. Speakers will be Greg, Alicia and Sally Soule of NH DES. Raffles will include multiple options for attendees to choose from.

Coffee and refreshments will be available.

Adjourn: 8:58pm Motion to adjourn by Greg, 2nd by Tobi.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Jeannie, CPLA Secretary