

Country Pond Lake Association

Meeting via Zoom

June 1, 2021 7:30 pm

Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Susan, Bill, Jen, Greg, Linda, Jeff, Tobi, Jeannie and guest Sharon McSweeney

Review and accept minutes from last meeting: Jen made a motion to accept, Greg 2nd, all in favor.

Treasurers report:

- Google Docs are up to date
- Greg suggested that we increase our reserve as insurance will wipe it out once we start the grant work
- Revenue from Tshirt sales so far \$324.00
- Current bank balance
 - Checking: \$3,300.89
 - Savings: \$2,010.18

Committees:

- VLAP:
 - Alicia is going to pick up sample bottles
 - First Sample will be June 27th, Bill will bring to Concord on the 28th
- Social Media:
 - 5/4 Announced Annual Meeting
 - 5/10 Shared NH Lakes Lake Host post with a message about volunteering for our lake host Program
 - 5/26 Earth Day Wrap-up
 - 6/1 CPLA Meeting post, also shared on Campground page, Town page and WGCOA page
- Weed Watchers:
 - Weeds are growing
 - Jeannie submitted a weed that was not anything unusual.
 - Tobi will discuss the program at the Annual meeting
- Lake Host:
 - CPLA increased rates for paid Lake Hosts from \$10/hr to \$12/hr to be competitive with other Lake Host programs.
 - Coordinator role remains at \$10/hr
 - One Lake Host works at 2 other Lakes, and had to reduce her hours
 - Increase in Lake Host rate combined with reduction in hours kept budget neutral
 - Board agreed that it did not make sense to increase budget to fill a Tuesday morning shift which is now open, with paid hours, this shift will be available for volunteers
 - Greg made a motion to go over budget by up to \$650 if we can find someone to take a paid shift during peak hours (Saturday)
 - Susan 2nd and all were in favor

Communications:

- Blasts done:
 - Annual Meeting
 - Lake Host Volunteers
 - 2 Important meetings Annual Meeting/Watershed Mgmt Plan Implementation meeting
- Email blast to do –
 - Annual Meeting reminder
 - WMP Implementation Meeting reminder
 - Thank you/receipt letters for membership donations
 - Lake Host – will list available shifts in email
 - Raffle
- Website updates
 - Board meeting minutes added to Docs page
 - Supporters updated
 - T-shirt picture added
 - Still have 5 tan hats, 1 blue

Old Business:

- Annual Meeting
 - Agenda (Estimated Total Meeting Time – 75)
 - Introduction – Greg 5 min
 - Weed Watchers – Tobi – 5 to 10 min
 - VLAP Water Sampling – Alicia – 10 min
 - Lake Host Program – Jen – 10 min
 - Watershed Management Plan Update and Grant Planning – Greg – 15
 - Budget – Greg – 10 min
 - Election Results and Raffle – Sue – 5
 - General Q and A – 10 min
 - Elections
 - No new nominations were received
 - Some votes have come in for Greg and Sue
 - At meeting we will confirm election - ask if all in favor, any opposed
 - By-laws changes will not be on the Annual meeting, we would have had send them out 7 days in advance of meeting,
 - Streamline nomination procedure - we will work on how to get this updated after the meeting
 - Effective dates for Membership Dues, is really a bylaw change after all, just a bookkeeping practice, Member year is still Jan 1-Dec 31
 - Watershed Management Plan
 - Meeting to be held June 9
 - Pat agreed to take the list of projects to the town and ask for some feedback.
 - Jeannie reached out to Mike Pivero road agent to let him know that Sally has a grant opportunity for funding up to 75K for improvements. Sally is willing to help with the grant.

New Business:

- CP Kayak paddle event
 - Everyone is in favor of having this event
 - Evy Nathan from Conservation commission in Kingston organizes event, coordinate with Pat on recreation commission in Newton
 - Town beach may have adequate amount of parking to enable gathering

Next Meeting Date and Place: July 13th 7:30pm in person at Kingston Public Library

Adjourn: 8:53

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