

# **Board Meeting Minutes**

## **Country Pond Lake Association**

February 24, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm via Google Meet

**Present:** Greg Senko, Linda Foss, Tobi Howell, Joel Daly, Sue Zipkin, Liz MacNeil, Bill Cashin

**Absent:** Barbara DiVecchia

**Minutes:** MM&S to accept meeting minutes from 01-29-25 as written

### **Treasurer's report:**

- Final reimbursements from the Watershed Assistance Grant were received.
- January's proceeds from the Gaming Commission were \$5,371.
- Checking Account Balance: \$34,082
- Assets and balance sheet to be submitted before quotes for additional insurance can be generated.

### **Boat Ramp:**

- Completed final ARPA funds grant application and submitted to NHDES
- The award should happen quickly – expecting final approval Feb/March
- Project needs to be completed by Sept. 2026, so the work will be done during the winter of 2025 after draw-down on the lake (mid-November)
- We will need to send it out for bid

### **Social Media:**

- Reposted fishing derby announcement
- Reposted link to NHLAKES Look Under the Ice presentation

### **VLAP:**

- Sampling dates for 2025 are 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month: May 18, June 22, July 20, Aug 24, Sept 12
- Jeannie will help Bill collect the samples. Bill will drive them to Concord on Monday am
- Not sure if NHDES Sarah Steiner will join Bill for first sampling date but it is planned that Alecia Geilen will.

### **Lake Host:**

- NHLAKES Conservation Program Coordinator, Hannah Coppola replaces Kat Kelleher as the Lake Host program coordinator.

- CPLA is pre-approved for \$1,150 grant based on 93 inspections in 2024. Only 101 were needed to receive higher grant amount.
- Joel will complete and submit the 2025 grant application.
- In person Coordinator training scheduled Friday April 25 2-5pm Concord.
- Joel will attend via zoom.
- Newton Lake Host funding warrant article was supported at the deliberative session.

#### **Communications:**

- With support from NHLAKES, Linda has fixed the Mailchimp problem with bot sign-ups to our distribution list. Changes were made to the website sign-up link.
- A reminder email blast will be sent out to vote YES for the Newton Lake Host funding warrant article.
- As soon as the ARPA grant is finalized, an email is ready to be sent out explaining the project.
- Amy Smagula notified us that the Certificate of Authority for 2025 invasive treatment grant had not been received. Barbara sent out another completed form.
- Sally Soule notified CPLA that the ARPA grant agreement paperwork should be received by CPLA next week. Once completed, we can begin working on the project and be reimbursed for expenditures.

#### **New Business:**

- Bill asked if re-installing the kiosk at the ramp is part of the project. A “Bulletin Board” is indicated on the plans. CPLA will need to make sure the kiosk is safely removed before construction begins. The kiosk is cemented in place.
- Greg to check if Dams Bureau will be able to speak at the annual meeting. Other possible speakers are: Invasive Diver Team, Fish & Game to speak about Spiny Naiad infestations.
- Need to work on researching how other lakes have dealt with Spiny Naiad infestations. Greg has started a list based in NHDES info, send copy to Liz.

#### **Next Meeting: Tuesday March 25, 2025 at 7PM**

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm