

Board Meeting Minutes

Country Pond Lake Association

March 25, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm via Google Meet

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

Minutes: MM&S to accept meeting minutes from 02-24-25 as written

Treasurer's report:

- Checking account previous balance: \$28,710.16
- January's proceeds from the Gaming Commission were \$5,371.89
- New Checking Account Balance: \$34,082.05

VLAP:

- Bill sent the 2024 report to Greg, who will post it on the website.
- The report showed that we have a phosphorus problem, which usually happens after periods of rain or drought, so weather dependent.
- Bill also received the report on the sampling that he and Alicia did after the fireworks last year. The report showed that there was a temporary increase in phosphorus but that it dropped right back down afterward.

Social Media:

- There have been 4600+ views on our page in the last 28 days
- Posted video of deer running across the ice
- Posted message to vote Yes on Article 20

Lake Host:

- Joel filled out the Payroll report, and he met with Pat to discuss how to track paid and volunteer hours.
- In person Coordinator training scheduled Friday April 25 2-5pm Concord.
- Joel will attend via zoom.

Communications:

- As soon as the ARPA grant is finalized, an email will be sent out explaining the project.
- Send thank-you email for voting YES for the Newton Lake Host funding warrant article.
- Email to let people know that the 2024 VLAP report has been posted to the website

- Email to announce Earth Day activities

Earth Day:

- Earth Day is April 22nd, so we'll plan to do our cleanup on April 19th.
- Sue has the signs, and she and Bill will put them up sometime next week.
- MM&S to spend up to \$300 to print Earth Day material
- MM&S to spend up to \$100 to purchase refreshments for Earth Day

Boat Ramp:

- Completed final ARPA funds grant application and submitted to NHDES
- We have confirmation that the application has been received, and they are finalizing the paperwork to send back to us.
- 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

Old Business:

- Amy Smagula notified us that the Certificate of Authority for 2025 invasive treatment grant has been received.
- Greg reviewed the 2025 budget. MM&S to accept the proposed budget as discussed.

New Business:

- The date for the Annual meeting was discussed, and it was decided that it would be held on June 7th.
- The positions of President and Treasurer are up for election. Greg cannot run for another term due to the term limits in the bylaws. Joel is willing to take on the role of President, and Greg would be willing to take the role of Vice President.
- Greg has reached out to the Invasive Diver Team to see if they would speak about Spiny Naiad remediation at the meeting. Other possible speakers are the Dams Bureau or the Big Island Council.
- Greg will reach out to the Whispering Pines and Country Shores campgrounds to see if they would be willing to contribute funds towards the Spiny Naiad remediation this summer since it affects them as well.
- Greg suggested that we may need to make some changes to the CPLA bylaws.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 15, 2025 at 7PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm