

Broadband internet access: Liz Fessenden reported that SLIC continues to grow their network. We are still waiting for the South Belmont section of their work to be approved. NYS is supportive of this effort.

South Beach dock repairs: Jim Smallman will replace the piers later this year and a group will help with decking. \$5000 was approved for this project at last year's meeting.

New Business:

Chicken Barbecue: Craig Livernois reported that the "First Annual Chicken Walk" was under attended, perhaps due to the cool, windy day. They had about 50 people, about 1/3 of those expected. Tom Arnold and Craig made large donations to cover expenses. Suggestions were made and the board will discuss how to proceed.

Signs: Sherb House reported that there are signs available to post regarding Invasive Species and Lyme/Tick warnings. Betsy Suatoni will check with Franklin County to find out whether signs are available to post at the dam and possibly at Smallman's boat launch. Muffy will check with Chastity Miller as well.

LTPA website: Phil Parker reported on the website with a power point presentation including showing the pages and a detailed usage report, now that we have a year's worth of analytics. He explained how to find the old Equinoxes and talked about the possibility of 3 levels of advertising. This can be found on the website. It was suggested that we link the LTPA Facebook page with the website. Phil was encouraged to continue with his mass emails to prompt all to view the website when new information is added. Phil explained how the website is paid for which amounts to about \$420 per year. This includes excellent technical support. He explained how to navigate the "Classifieds" page. The new board will discuss advertising and password protection.

Hicks Cup: Andy Pickett reported that the event was a success last year with 10 entrants. There are two categories of racers: sunfish and other (bigger) boats. This year's Hick's Cup will be on Saturday August 2 at 2:00

PM. T shirts will be available from the Livingstons. All are encouraged to participate.

Moonlight Paddles: Muffy Charlebois reported that the July Full Moonlight Paddle is tonight, July 12. All interested plan to meet in the middle of the lake at 9:00 PM. The August paddle will be on August 10, 2014.

Riley Golf Tournament: Dan Riley reported that in 2013 there were 48 participants and that the after party was hosted by Laura and Rick VanDeusen. This year, the tournament will be held on Sunday, August 3 at 12:15. Entry fee is \$10, plus greens and cart fees. The after party will be held at Theresa and Gordie Warners'. All are welcome.

Nominations: Rick VanDeusen reported for his committee (Liz Fessenden and Mary Claire Sherwin) that the slate consists of Craig Livernois (2nd two year term), Malcolm Kilgour, Jim House, Wayne Rickert and Vickie Lambertson (all 1st two year terms). A motion to accept the slate was approved. (Gordie Warner/Cheri Rickert).

Other new business:

Laura Vandeusen announced that there is an ongoing raffle for an old photo of Malone. The winner will be announced at the Breakfast Walk. She also announced that she will be giving Mahjong lessons for those interested.

A motion to adjourn was approved at 11:30 AM. (Rick VanDeusen/Laura VanDeusen).

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 13, 2013
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Approved

9:08 AM: Meeting called to order by President Sherb House.

All Board members present: Tom Arnold, Muffy Charlebois, Sherb House, Craig Livernois, Jerry Nevader, Darlene Pagano, Phil Parker, and Andy Pickett

Total present: 52

Total shoreline owners paid and present: 33

Quorum established

Muster list and a moment of silence: Jean Ann Lytle Venuti McCullough, Constance Irving VanDeusen, Thomas Burton, Janet Irving Kilburn, Clinton Watson, Norma Berry Weirich, Carl "Pax" Sherwin, Jr., James "Jimmy" Durant, Harold Marshall, Augustus "Gus" Palmer, Susan Cring, Betty Crooks Morris, George K. Pond.

Secretary's report: A motion was approved to dispense with reading the minutes. (Fessenden/L. Smith)

President's report: A motion was approved to dispense with reading the president's report. (Fessenden/R. VanDeusen)

Treasurer's report: Dani Rapier reported that 2012 dues were stronger than ever, investment returns are strong, the Breakfast Walk attendance was down last year, but clothing sales were up. Assets in the operating account are about \$116,000, in the endowment account about \$2400 this year with a total of about \$58,000, for a grand total of about \$180,000. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was approved. (G. Havens/L. VanDeusen)

Committee Reports:

Welcome: Laura VanDeusen reported that she knows of no new shoreline owners, but is ready when she learns of any.

Equinox: Theresa Warner, with help from Phil Parker did a beautiful job this year. A change this year was the addition of advertisements. The poll asking whether people want to receive the Equinox electronically or by hard copy is running about 50/50 at this point. Additional copies will be sent as needed to members.

Hiking/Trails: Shawn McClain was absent, but Rick VanDeusen reported that Shawn and Tyler MacDonald cleared the Immortelle trail, and Rick and Trevor cleared the trail up to the Elephant's Head trail. Thanks to all who help with keeping up the trails. The spur from the lake off the Elephant's Head trail to the parking lot off Route 30 isn't very visible and hasn't been an issue so far.

Navigation: Betsy Suatoni reminded all about the required observer and sunset laws for water skiers, and luckily had no incidents to report. If you are swimming across the lake, be sure to have a boat alongside. Please obey the 100 feet from shore, less than 5 MPH law. It was agreed that "if you see something, say something (to the offender)."

Land and Forest Management: Darlene reported that Malcolm Kilgour, John and Muffy Charlebois joined her for a look at LTPA land on Maple Ridge. Along with an opinion from Thomas Gilman, forester with Fountains Forestry, it was determined that it will be at least 10 years before that land might be ready for harvesting. There may be a small section with softwood along Route 30 and Gilman is willing to take a look at other LTPA lands for \$57/hour. It was suggested to limit his hours, should we decide to use his services. Carl Sherwin mentioned another forester, Harry Pearsall, who may be available and would charge less. Sherb reiterated the value of a long range plan.

Historical: Muffy Charlebois reported that there are a few copies of Our Lake Titus and A Companion available. She also asked that anyone with ideas for historical research projects and articles be sure to contact her.

Investments: Andy reported that our conservatively invested funds are doing well.

Audit: The committee will meet later today.

Breakfast Walk: Tom reminded everyone that the Breakfast Walk will be on August 3, 2013, with raindate August 4. Boat parkers and home fries are needed. Sheila Chalifoux passed around the 2012 Breakfast Walk photo book.

Happy Birthday was sung to Gail Havens and Eleanor Todd!

Old Business:

Dam: Liz Fessenden presented a short powerpoint re: the dam project. Funds were approved last year for an engineering proposal for the dam (that we know raises the lake 4 feet.) Engineering is almost complete, drawings and specs. done. Comments from the committee have gone back to the engineers. Liz showed a diagram of the old dam and new design and explained the plan for construction. Hopefully, it will be finalized this month. Then the DEC permitting process will be done with a request for quotations from contractors going out in the spring. A year from now we will know costs to bring to the Board and membership and determine timing and funding. Liz feels that we should be proactive and not find ourselves in an emergency situation. Liz thanked members of the committee and asked anyone interested to join them. Questions were asked and answered about the gates and lowering the lake and possible hydropower opportunities. Many thanks to Jim Smallman for all of his dam tending work over the years.

Easement: Andy reported that there have been no requests for easements.

Broadband: Liz reported that the broadband project for the northern section of the Belmont region was approved in March, but the southern section (that includes Lake Titus), was not. SLIC will try again for funding. They will need a new letter from the LTPA indicating their support for the project. Individuals are asked to support the project as well using the website: www.nysbroadband.ny.gov.

South Beach dock replacement: \$5000 was approved for this project at last year's meeting. Jim Smallman and Wayne Rickert will coordinate the work, supplies, and labor.

Ice House Road repair: The work has been done and is a great improvement. Many thanks to Tom Arnold for taking care of that.

New Business:

Riley Golf Tournament: Dan Riley reported that the 13th Annual Lake Titus Open will be held on August 4, 2013 at the Malone Golf Club. The after party will be held at VanDeusen's Miramonte.

LTPA Website: Phil reported that our website has been developed through MyLakeTown.com at no cost so far. He presented the website and explained the various parts, costs, the wealth of information and business (advertising) opportunities available to members and non-members. There is a good chance that advertisers will reduce the LTPA cost (\$35/month) and even generate some revenue. Phil has a brochure to hand out to potential advertisers. A motion was approved (unanimously) to go forward with the project with the Board monitoring it. Phil will serve as webmaster and main contact. (L. VanDeusen/B. Suatoni)

Lake Quality and Control: A short video presentation by Chastity Miller, District Manager of Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District was shown in which she described water testing, water quality, vegetative buffers and septic systems. She and her agency are there for all of us and she is willing to help with anything she can. Her contact information follows: 518-483-4061 X 110. cmiller@fcswcd.org. 151 Finney Blvd. Malone, NY 12953.

Andy reported on last year's testing (June 24 and August 17) which yielded good results, with all levels normal. With all of the rain this year, we may see different results with this year's testing.

Rick VanDeusen attended an Invasive Plants workshop at Paul Smith's. He is monitoring weed growth in the lake and reported that along with milfoil, there are other native, non-invasive species present. It is important not to drive motor boats through the weed patches because chopped off plants sink and reseed. We do have snails present in the lake, but they are non-invasive.

Hick's Cup: The Hick's Cup sailboat race will be held on August 3, 2013 at 2:00 PM. Andy reported that there will be two categories this year: sunfish and larger boats.

Moonlight Paddles: will be held on Monday, July 22 and Tuesday, August 20 with 9:00 starts in the middle of the lake.

Nominations: Rick VanDeusen presented the slate: Jerry Nevader, Phil Parker and Andy Pickett are running for their second two year terms. Muffy Charlebois is running for a 1 year renewable term as secretary. A motion to accept the slate was approved. (R. VanDeusen/C. Rickert).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 14, 2012
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Tom Arnold, Muffy Charlebois, Lynn Crock, Sherb House, Jerry Nevader, Darlene Pagano, Phil Parker, Andy Pickett

Total present: 50

Total shoreline owners paid: 68

The muster list was shared and a moment of silence was held for Herb Smith.

A quorum was established. (20% of the number of paid members)

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM by President Sherb House

Old Business:

A motion was approved to dispense with reading the Secretary's minutes (Fessenden/Suatoni)

A motion was approved to dispense with reading the President's report (Fessenden/VanDeusen)

Treasurer's report: Andy Pickett/Dani Rapier reported the LTPA had a strong year in 2011. The dues increase and slightly lower expenses helped. Investments were down some.

A motion was approved to accept the report. (VanDeusen/Riley)

Committee Reports

Welcome Committee: Laura VanDeusen reported that she didn't know of new people on the lake but has packets ready for any she learns about.

Equinox/newsletter: Theresa Warner thanked those who helped with this year's newsletter and for the roses. She encouraged people to contribute and to contact her.

Hiking/Trails: Shawn McClain reported that trails are in good shape. Tom, Andy (chair), and Darlene will get together with Shawn to determine how to clean up and trim the South Beach area. They will meet and take care of it before the Breakfast Walk. Mt. Immortelle needs to be brushed back to improve the view. Chuck Carpenter asked about the Elephant's Head trail.

Navigation: Betsy Suatoni had a number of reminders for all:

- boaters should avoid shining bright boat lights near docks
- boats should not travel faster than 5 MPH within 100' of shore
- boaters under 18 need to take the NYS Boaters' Safety Course
- there should be no waterskiing after sunset
- jetskiers need to spread their noise around
- those who want to swim across the lake should have a boater traveling with them

Lake Quality and Control: Lynn Crock presented her report in three parts:

- the water quality report is available on line or in hard copy. There is continuing concern about low amounts of oxygen on the lake bottom and a higher phosphorus count. Both will be monitored carefully during this year's testing.
- in regard to plant life, Lynn referred to the map of milfoil beds and asked that boats try to stay out of it. Please report new milfoil blooms to her. All should try not to drive through the milfoil beds.
- A new E-coli test is now available. The Board approved the establishment of three testing stations on each side of the lake for a total of six stations. Should e-coli be found, volunteer testing of the nearby camps will be requested. Bob Crossman, Town enforcement officer) will assist if necessary.
- there is concern about the large number of dead perch in the lake. Perhaps it is because of the warmer water temperatures causing less oxygen this summer.

Many thanks to Lynn for her hard work with this committee and her work on the board.

Land and Forest Management: Darlene Pagano reported that she has contacted Sean Reynolds, from DEC regarding a list of reputable foresters and loggers. Working with a forester will help protect our interests and help with ideas for preventing erosion. There are new logging practices (chipping

the tree tops) that help keep the woods cleaner. Forest management and the subsequent income are our reasons for logging LTPA land. Andy reminded us that pursuant to the Fisher Act the association must pay a 6% stumpage fee to the state in order to maintain our tax break. If anyone would like the forestry information, please contact Darlene and she will email attachments to them.

Historical: Muffy Charlebois reported that *Our Lake Titus* sold out last summer but 10 more copies have been printed. There also are several copies of *Our Lake Titus: A Companion* available. Phil Parker has expressed interest in looking into a digital format for the books so they can be added to more easily.

Investments: We still are conservatively invested and there has been some growth.

Audit: This committee will meet when all members are at the lake.

Sherb announced that the Fire and Safety Committee has been disbanded for liability reasons and we no longer have a working pump.

Breakfast Walk: Tom Arnold thanked Rick VanDeusen for helping make his first year as chair easier. It was a very successful event last year. This year's BW will be on August 4/raindate August 5.

Andy reported that the Hicks' Cup was a success as well with a record 11 sailboats racing.

Old Business

Dam Committee: Liz Fessenden reported that our Class A low hazard dam was inspected in August, 2009 by Mark Fitzsimmons, a licensed NYS inspector. Our dam raises the level of the lake by 4.5 feet. At that time he found that the upstream face is fine. The downstream side which is made of rubble supports the face and the cap. The rubble has settled, the freeze/thaw action has broken away and is losing its bearing support for the cap. Eventually the rubble will settle so much that the cap will crack. The dam is 15" wide. The cap is 3.5'. The sluice gate walls already show some leakage.

His report documents the condition. A licensed engineer guided them through the process of design, need for engineering, permits, etc. (pro bono). Liz and Mark sought quotes from engineering firms. Bids were due by June 1. Four bids were received, amounts between \$7000 and \$33000. This step is an effort to be proactive, not to rush into constructing a new dam. If engineering is completed, we would be in a better position to go ahead with the project when necessary. A question was asked about whether DEC regulations are apt to change during this process. Liz Fessenden indicated that they have been changed within the last 18 months, so most likely will not change again so soon. Other questions and discussions involved preventive maintenance, flushing or dredging the lake to help with low oxygen levels at the bottom of the lake and increasing silt buildup, the ease in opening and closing the sluice gates, construction techniques, reinforcing the rubble, and hiring a contractor without seeking the input of an engineering firm.

A motion was approved to authorize the LTPA Board to expend up to \$16000 to obtain engineering services for the design and specification for rehabilitation of the dam. (Murtagh/Parker). Yes:34 No:3 Abstain:2

In regard to the Town of Malone Comprehensive Zoning Plan, Liz Fessenden reported that the LWRP was accepted by both the Town and the Village this past winter. Conversations with Town officials indicated that at this time, there is no scheduled agenda item for revisiting the new zoning plan. In the meantime, Liz reminded those who are building or renovating, especially within 50 feet of the shoreline (and requiring a variance), to try to maintain the aesthetics of the classic Adirondack lake tree-line shore, construct and maintain [the guest cottage] with exterior colors that are inconspicuous, such as natural wood, dark stained or painted siding materials and dark roof materials; also to preserve the water quality of the lake, maintain the natural topography of the site as much as possible, prevent runoff during the construction phase, expand the shoreline buffer with additional trees and plants to minimize runoff, and maintain the septic system in good working order.

New Business:

Easement Fee: Andy Pickett reported that he and Charlie Bryden are discussing the idea. At this time, private fees range from \$0 to \$15000.

There could be an agreement for a personal easement or one that is written into a deed. There is no request for an easement across LTPA land at this point, but the discussion will continue.

Dan Riley announced that the Golf Tournament will be on August 5, 2012, at 1:00, a scramble format. The post tournament party location is TBA.

Gordie Crossman expressed concern about the possibility of Lake Titus being added to the Adirondack Park. The general consensus is that such a move would be a very negative step.

A motion was approved for the LTPA to send a letter of concern expressing our opposition to such annexation to the Town Supervisor and other legislators as well. (Fessenden/Todd)

Liz Fessenden had reason to believe that Nicholville Telephone Company/SLIC was extending their fiber broadband service. As part of a grant request, they would go right past Lake Titus down the utility line on the east side and would shoot wireless access to those on the west side. It would be good for internet and phone, not TV. Liz asked them about laying a cable in the lake and explained that we are not part of the APA. They were interested in exploring the option. Possibly by summer of 2014, we could have the service.

Rick VanDeusen asked about replacing the South Beach dock that is in disrepair. A motion was approved for the Board to authorize an expenditure of up to \$5000 from the investment fund to replace the dock, with volunteer labor. (VanDeusen/Harwood)

Louise Murtagh asked about repair to the road going into the dam/boat launch. Tom Arnold will talk with Carl Marshall about taking care of it.

Larry Munday expressed his thanks to those who assisted two of his campers who were in distress.

Rick VanDeusen, nominating committee chairman, submitted a slate for trustees on the Board. It included: Craig Livernois, as new member, Tom Arnold, Sherb House and Darlene Pagano for second two-year terms, and

Muffy Charlebois, as secretary for the following year. A motion to accept the slate was approved (VanDeusen/Riley).

A motion to adjourn was approved at 10:57. (Pickett/Parker).

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 9, 2011
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Tom Arnold, Muffy Charlebois, Lynn Crock, Liz Fessenden, Sherb House, Darlene Pagano, Carl Sherwin, Laura VanDeusen

Total present: 47 Quorum established Shoreline owners paid: 62

Meeting called to order at 9:11 AM by President Liz Fessenden

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a moment of silence for family and friends who have passed away since last year's meeting: Charles Hicks, David Sanderson, Gordon House, Margaret Ames Parker, Bud Drake, Earl MacQuinn.

New property owners were welcomed: Phil and Kathy Parker, Karen and Jim Utley, Bob and Kara Usaitis, Dave and Kathy Goodwin. Picketts have bought the Towle camp.

A motion was made and approved to dispense with reading of the 2010 Annual Meeting minutes. (Smith/Rickert)

A motion was made and approved to dispense with reading of the 2011 President's report. (Sherwin/Riley)

Treasurer's report: Laura VanDeusen distributed copies of the report (including the separate Restricted Endowment Fund report.) There were 89 paid members last year. The Breakfast Walk made \$674.00. The Riley Golf Tournament donated \$150.00. Other donations were made as well. Clothing sales made \$617.00. This year we have 62 paid members so far and several bills have been paid already. Remaining expenses for the year will run around \$6000.00. The investments remain steady and insurance costs have remained the same. A motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report. (Caplan/Todd)

Liz Fessenden recognized Laura VanDeusen for her service as treasurer since 2004 as she steps down.

Sherb House recognized and thanked Liz Fessenden and Carl Sherwin as they finish up their terms as trustees.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Laura VanDeusen suggested that perhaps the membership committee be separate from the treasurer's job. Liz Fessenden encouraged everyone present to urge their neighbors to join the LTPA. Andy Pickett reminded us that the LTPA maintains $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of pristine shoreline and a dam that keeps the lake at the level to which we are accustomed.

Equinox: Theresa Warner urged everyone to help keep the address list up to date and to contact her if they would like an Equinox or would like to contribute to the 2012 edition.

Hiking and Trails: Sherb House reported on the Elephant's Head trail work and maintenance on the Immortelle dock. If there is interest in working on other trails, let Sherb know. The Bannings will leave a notebook on the dock for the next people to take to the top.

Dam: Liz Fessenden has worked with Mark Fitzsimmons to inspect the dam which is showing deterioration on the downstream face. This fall the committee (Liz, Tom Arnold, Rick VanDeusen, and Jim Smallman) will request engineering quotes for phase I, which will include costs of the engineering and the permitting. Next summer the committee would ask the membership for money for this phase. The permit would be good for a number of years and renewable. This cost may be \$15000-20000. During the summer of 2013, after construction bids go out, the membership may be asked to spend the money for actual construction during 2014. Liz will also look for any available grant money. It was Phil Parker's dad, Merle Parker, who did the engineering for the 1980 dam.

Navigation: Betsy Suatoni reported a quiet, peaceful summer, so far, on the lake. PWC's have been respectful. There have been some incidents of people waterskiing after sunset.

Lake Quality and Control: Lynn Crock reported on several items:

During our lake quality testing, we do not test for e-coli because of the instructions/protocol (6 hour time limit). It can be done privately.

Water quality: We have been working for the past year with Paul Smith's College and the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program. It has saved money and gives us a comparison with many other Adirondack lakes. Our lake quality has remained consistent. The bottom is mucky brown and we need to keep an eye on it. We are a warm water lake, not conducive to trout and salmon. Dissolved oxygen continues to decrease. Increasing oxygen can be accomplished with bubble barriers. Perhaps we should do the bottom test. Good news is that last year we didn't have much milfoil. Lynn provided a map of the degree of density of milfoil on the lake. It is important to be vigilant in watching for plant growth.

Non native live bait and crayfish can be very dangerous to our lake in terms of pathogens and altering the aquatic habitat.

We cannot eliminate milfoil but we can control it. It can be hand pulled and should be burned. The weevil present in the lake helps. Boats and trailers must be cleaned and boats should avoid driving through the milfoil patches. Lynn will check on buoys to mark off these places.

Pump septic systems.

Darlene Pagano will continue testing septic systems.

If anyone sees or smells anything that doesn't belong, call Lynn or Bob Crossman, Code Enforcement Officer.

There was some discussion about other weed species, including pond weed, that is currently not a concern, and the way the dam retains debris and muck, the beaver activity in the outlet, and the sodium level in the lake.

Historical: Muffy Charlebois reported that Our Lake Titus: A Companion, an update, is now available for \$5.00. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

Investment: Bruce Barker reported that the Endowment Fund is invested very conservatively. The value of our other investments are slowly creeping back up.

Breakfast Walk: Laura VanDeusen reported for Rick that a couple of folding tables were purchased. Donations were made last year which helped.

Thanks again to the boat parkers. Tom Arnold has agreed to chair the BW this year.

Fire Safety: Liz Fessenden urged people with new roads to update their 911 numbers. Burn permits are available from the Town Office. Campfires should not exceed 3 feet high or 4 feet in diameter.

Nuisance geese: Andy Pickett and Larry Munday reported that there are two pair of geese with babies. Nests are very difficult to find. There may be ways to cull the geese per NYS regulations. If you have a lawn, let the grass along the shoreline grow to deter the geese.

Zoning Update: Both the Town and Village Boards have the final Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP) and will be holding public hearings before approving.

NEW BUSINESS:

Associate Membership: Dues are currently \$35.00 for people who rent or reside on shoreline property on the lake.

A motion was made and approved (with 2 opposed) to change Associate Member dues to \$25.00 per week up to the Owner Member dues level which is \$100.00. (VanDeusen/Rickert) Those renting out shoreline property to others will be responsible for collecting and/or paying the Associate Member dues, if appropriate, for their land and dwellings.

By laws changes:

Liz Fessenden, chairman, recognized other members of the committee for their work to revise the bylaws: Muffy Charlebois, Lynn Crock, Sherb House, Andy Pickett, Lynn Smith, Betsy Suatoni, and Rick VanDeusen.

The Articles were discussed one at a time and changes approved per motions. The approved by laws are attached in their entirety to this report.

Article I: A motion was made and approved to accept changes.
(Sherwin/Suatoni)

Articles II and III: A motion was made and approved to accept changes.
(Pickett/Suatoni)

Articles IV and VI: A motion was made and approved to accept changes.
(Sherwin/Todd) There were no changes made to Article V.

Article VII: A motion was made and approved to accept changes as amended.
(Rickert/Black)

Article VIII: A motion was made and approved to accept changes.
(VanDeusen/Hardy)

Article IX: A motion was made and approved to accept changes.
(Sherwin/Pagano)

A motion was made and approved asking the Board to develop a policy to share for approval by the membership next July, regulating easements for those wishing to cross LTPA property with new roads.
(Todd/Black)

A motion was made and approved for the Board to complete the above-mentioned policy during this summer and be authorized to implement it should someone request an easement across LTPA property. (Sherwin/Black)

Other New Business:

Laura VanDeusen reminded the membership that products sold at the Breakfast Walk should profit the LTPA only.

Nominations: A motion was made and approved to accept the slate as presented by the nominating committee. (Maryclaire Sherwin, Jeff Harding, Lynn Smith, Muffy Charlebois) (Suatoni/Black)

New trustees: Jerry Nevader, Phil Parker and Andy Pickett.

Continuing on as secretary: Muffy Charlebois

Announcements:

The Moonlight Paddle will be on Friday, July 15 at 9:15 PM. Meet in the middle of the lake. Rain date is July 16.

The Breakfast Walk will be on Saturday, August 6 starting at 8:30 AM. Rain date is August 7.

The Hicks Cup sailboat race will be on August 6, starting at 2:00 PM.

The 11th Annual Riley Golf Tournament will be on August 7. A potluck gathering will follow at a location to be announced. Sailors are invited as well. Elaine Riley will call for dishes to pass. Someone will call the sailors for food, too.

Steve Hardy reminded those who want to swim across the lake to be sure to have someone accompany them in a boat.

Carl Sherwin reported that there have been incidents of PWC's unsafely buzzing docks.

Steve Todd reported seeing a fawn swimming across the lake.

Don Hardy suggested having LTPA member stickers.

Cheri Rickert thanked those who provided fireworks for the rest of the lake.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 10, 2010
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Tom Arnold, Bruce Barker, Muffy Charlebois, Lynn Crock, Liz Fessenden, Sherb House, and Laura VanDeusen
Absent: Carl Sherwin

Total present: 46

Shoreline owners: 29 Quorum established: 15/72 paid members

Meeting called to order by President Liz Fessenden: 9:11 AM

Old Business:

President's remarks including muster list (Wally Barker, Allen Beach, Allen Child, Allen Hutchins, Paul Dumas, Eunie Paumier, Ken Tulloch, and Olivia MacDonald)

Call to meeting

Secretary's report (Muffy Charlebois, secretary): Motion to dispense with reading and approved (Suatoni/Banning)

President's report (Liz Fessenden, president): Motion to dispense with reading and approved (Kilgour/Spaulding)

Treasurer's report (Laura VanDeusen, treasurer): Attached. Motion to accept approved. (Slack/Caplan)

Committee reports:

Membership (Laura VanDeusen): New members will continue to receive welcome packets. Dues envelopes will be included with the envelopes. Associate members need to rent or reside on the lake.

Equinox (Theresa Warner): Theresa was recognized for her excellent work with the Equinox and for covering the cost of printing this year. Report attached.

Hiking and Trails (Sherb House): There is progress being made on marking the trail from the South Beach to the top of Elephant's Head. Bruce Barker and Al

Hardy are about 70% complete, but need GPS help with the last part. Dock work for the new (donated) Immortelle dock (approximately 8' X 24') will begin today (7/10). Lumber from Arnolds' has been delivered. The Immortelle trail is in good shape. Concern was expressed about the Elephant's Head trail allowing people climbing from the Route 30 side to travel on our trail down to the South Beach, and a comment that much of the trail being marked is on NYS land and therefore no trees can be cut.

Dam (Liz Fessenden): Mark Fitzsimmons did a complete inspection last fall. An inspection maintenance plan is available. A few minor repairs are needed: replacing the boards, cleaning out debris. More major repairs on the downstream side will be needed. The committee will meet there next week to determine what/when work needs to be done.

Navigation (Betsy Suatoni): Navigation information was included in the Equinox. Betsy urged everyone to speak to anyone doing something unsafe. PWC owners, please be aware of swimmers and low riding craft and keep most activities in the middle of the lake. Use common sense. Waterskiing is limited to the hours between sunrise and sunset. Remind renters to follow the safe navigation rules.

Lake Quality and Control (Lynn Crock): Lynn asked for volunteer help with water testing. Her report was two-pronged:

1. Milfoil: More than 50% of the lake is 20' deep or less, where milfoil thrives. Lynn read segments of a proposal to have an aquatic plant survey done by Dan Kelting and his staff/students from the Adirondack Watershed Institute, School of Forestry and Natural Resources at Paul Smiths College for \$1000. It will monitor the existence and extent of native and invasive plants in the lake. This is a necessary first step for determining management and associated costs. It is also necessary for obtaining permits for lake wide control activity. This will establish a geographic information system (GIS) for the lake. A report will be generated. Dan will attend the meeting next year to explain results. This can be done this summer. Rick VanDeusen was concerned about what to do next and how to pay for it, if that is the recommended outcome of a survey. A motion to spend \$1000 for the aquaculture survey/written report by Paul Smiths was made and approved. (Slack/Suatoni).
2. Water Quality: The Adirondack Lake Assessment Program (71 lakes/ponds are included) can also provide a kit (\$250) and training for volunteers completing the water sampling. Samples will then be analyzed at Paul Smiths

(\$175). It will be done 3 times during the summer and data will be given to the program to interpret and formulate a report. Data can then be compared to our historical data and reports compiled for many years by Steve LaMere. (There is also an option to have bottom sampling done for \$35/month, plus \$590 for the sampling device. Perhaps this part could be initiated next year.)

A motion to spend up to \$500 for equipment, testing and analysis was made and approved. (Slack/Pickett)

Historical (Muffy Charlebois): Muffy requested that people present let her know new information about camps for an update to be done for Our Lake Titus.

Restrictive Covenant (Liz Fessenden): Liz reported that two adjoining parcels had been merged to lessen the tax assessment on the merged parcel. There is opportunity to merge additional contiguous parcels. This ad hoc committee is now dissolved and the board will consider the parcel merging opportunities.

Investment (Bruce Barker): Bruce explained where our money (both the endowment fund and the operating fund) is invested. (See Treasurer's report.) Our whole asset base is invested with 20% in equities and 80% in fixed funds.

Breakfast Walk (Rick VanDeusen): Rick thanked all volunteers and Mike Casey's work on the new storage shed. He needs someone to organize the boat parkers for this year's BW on Saturday, August 7. Last year's profit was \$500+.

Hicks' Cup: This year's race will begin at Saturday, August 7 at 2:00.

Riley Golf Tournament: 18 have already signed up. Cost is \$6.00. The after tournament party place has not yet been determined. The "worst performing team" trophy burned up in the Arnold fire, but Jerry Child has found another. Tournament starts at 12:30 on Sunday, August 8.

Fire Safety (Scott Smith, absent): Liz cautioned everyone that first line of defense is for campers to be vigilant at all times. There was discussion about the LTPA fire pump not working and whether it is advisable to own it. The Board will discuss this. Irv Caplan reported that J&G recharges and sells fire extinguishers. Darlene Pagano mentioned that pumps with 2" hoses can be purchased at Sturdy Supply in Saranac Lake. Laura VanDeusen talked about

needing a safe place for the archives to be stored after Board members have sorted the documents.

Old Business:

Zoning (Carl Sherwin, absent): Liz reported that there has been no change in our zoning yet. The town of Malone is waiting for work to be completed on the LWRP.

New Business:

After Liz Fessenden showed with pie charts our fund uses and sources, a motion was made and approved to increase member (shoreline owners) dues from \$75 to \$100 per year and for associate dues (for those who rent or reside) from \$25 to \$35 per year. (Fessenden/Pagano) The Friends of the Lake category (Equinox only, no use of LTPA lands) will remain at \$10. This is effective for the 2011 dues.

Nominating (Muffy Charlebois) Many thanks to Bruce Barker for his hard work on behalf of the LTPA. Muffy presented the slate established by the nominating committee for action. Included were Tom Arnold (1st two-year term), Sherb House (1st two-year term), Darlene Pagano (1st two-year term), as well as Laura VanDeusen and Muffy Charlebois (1 year terms as treasurer and secretary.) A motion to accept the slate was made and approved. (Slack/Riley)

Announcements:

Bruce Barker thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve and vacated his seat.

Breakfast Walk: Saturday, August 7, 2010, 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Hicks' Cup: Saturday, August 7, 2010, 2:00 PM

Riley Golf Tournament: Sunday, August 8, 2010, 12:15 PM

Moonlight Paddle: Monday, July 26, 2010, 9:30 PM Rain date: Tuesday, July 27

Lake Titus sweatshirts, hats, t-shirts, polo shirts, etc. are still for sale and can be ordered with camp names embroidered.

There will be a bulletin board available at the Breakfast Walk for announcements.

Two photos have been donated for a raffle at the BW. One is an ermine from the Harwoods, the other is a winter sunrise from Bill Dampier.

The tax roll and the Franklin County budget are both on-line at www.franklincounty.org.

There have been several trespassers at the boat launch. Liz has spoken to the State Police who urged anyone to call them if there are infractions. There are also infractions occurring during hunting season.

There was a discussion about people launching boats at the LTPA boat launch. Who should be able to do that? Friends or family of members? Day use? The Board will discuss it and consider changes to the Bylaws for approval by the membership.

There have been instances of petty theft at and around the Lytle, Suatoni, and Hardy camps.

Lynn Crock asked again for campers to sign up for sewer testing.

Betty Jo Coryea and Lynn Crock are collecting returnable bottles/cans to benefit the Animal Shelter. Leave large bags full on your dock and call for pickup.

Sunday, August 8, is a date for a group picture of classic wooden boats.

Larry Munday brought up the old business topic of the goose nuisance at the lake. He and Andy Pickett will head up a committee to look into solutions for all campers affected and for any problems with geese on LTPA land.

Meeting adjourned: 11:31 AM (VanDeusen/Pickett)

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 11, 2009
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Charlebois, Crock, Fessenden, Murtagh, Sherwin,
VanDeusen
Absent: Barker

Total present: 40
Shoreline owners: +/- 25

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by President Liz Fessenden.

OLD BUSINESS:

New members/friends of the lake were acknowledged: Allan and Beverly Anderson,
Bill Dampier.

Moment of silence: Kitty Lee Murtagh, Bob Smallman, Carl Hanna, Jane Lynn.

Secretary's report: Muffy Charlebois. Quorum established. Rick Hoffman's
resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees was accepted with regret.
Motion to dispense with reading the 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes was approved.
(Lynn Crock/Betsy Suatoni)

Treasurer's Report: Laura VanDeusen. Expenses generally include insurance,
taxes, Equinox. Dues usually cover them. Other income sources last year were T-
shirt and CD sales & the Breakfast Walk. Investments suffered. Some Puritan
Funds were switched to a Bond Fund. \$620 has been received in Kitty Lee
Murtagh's name for the Endowment Fund. There are several outstanding bills to be
paid when dues have been received. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was
approved. (Irv Caplan/Mary Claire Sherwin)

Committee Reports:

Fire Safety: Lynn Smith. Town Supervisor, Howard Maneely, authorized repair of
the fire pump. Lynn Crock helped transport it. A new battery was purchased and

it now has a Y accessory in order to use two hoses simultaneously. A sign has been placed on the wall at Smallman's Marina identifying the location of hoses and nozzles. The pump is next to the door. Both Malone and Duane Call Firemen have portable fire pumps and are authorized to commandeer boats if Jim Smallman's boat is not available. The fire pump training was cancelled because the pump needs more repair on the intake hose. An attempt to start the pump each year after the Annual Meeting will be made. A training session may be held on Breakfast Walk Saturday.

Membership: Laura VanDeusen. For 2008, we had 90/110 possible shoreline owners pay dues.

Hiking/Trails: Rick VanDeusen reported for Bruce Barker. Some clearing is necessary on the Mt. Immortelle trail, especially around the power line access. The Elephant's Head trail and road into the trailhead are quite overgrown.

Audit/Investment: Laura VanDeusen commented on work done and plans to continue work with the committee.

Lake Quality & Control: Lynn Crock.

Septic: Darlene Pagano will assist. Testing continues and should be done every 10-15 years. Lynn and Darlene need to do the testing themselves to establish a complete and consistent data bank. 36 camps have been tested. For camps with many people, think about having the system pumped out. Dennis Bannon (?) provides this service.

There is a sign-up sheet going around for testing. Please sign up.

Lake Testing: Lynn has spoken with people at the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program at Paul Smiths. They will test anything/everything depending on needs and cost. Steve LaMere will continue this year to test for total phosphorus, chlorophyll A, transparency, and dissolved oxygen level. There was much discussion about e-coli testing, not part of Steve's tests.

Invasive Eurasian Milfoil: There has been some growth this year. Much discussion followed. We will do some more research and try to decide our best course of action. A motion to stop discussion was approved. (Laura VanDeusen/Rick VanDeusen)

A motion to lower the lake by removing two boards from the dam in November was approved. (Frank Lytle/Grant Banning)

Breakfast Walk: Rick VanDeusen. In 2008, 210 were served. The profit was \$423.50. Sherb House will assist this year on August 1. Cost will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Flyers need to be distributed and there is a need for boat parkers and a supervisor for them.

The 8th Annual Golf Tournament: Dan Riley. In 2008, 42 played. The 2009 tournament will be on August 2. The only qualification needed in order to play is that you can say "Lake Titus." The party afterwards will be at Jerry Childs'.

The Hicks' Cup Sailboat Race will be on Saturday, August 1 at 1:00 PM. Participants are also invited to the post-golf tournament party on Sunday.

Newsletter: Patrick and Louise Murtagh pulled the Equinox together this year but now we need an editor to organize announcements and other official business, including the dues envelope. Cheri Rickert will cover the social notes. Scott Smith suggested *Computer Support and More* (Lisa Brown) in Malone as someone who may be able to help.

Historical: Muffy Charlebois. OUR LAKE TITUS is still available at \$35 per copy. We still are looking for missing LTPA Annual Meeting minutes. 1940-1972, 1975-92.

Navigation: Some reports about an unsafe jet skier were shared. Betsy Suatoni will work on a safe boating flyer and she volunteered to be the Navigation Committee Chair. Irv Caplan will work on a radio spot to remind everyone to follow safe boating practices.

Zoning: Carl Sherwin. We are on hold until the LWRP (Local Waterfront Revitalization Program) has completed its work. There is a question about whether they want to include Lake Titus in their plans. In any case, we may have to live with the current zoning regulations for several more months. It is very important to attend the public hearing when it does occur.

Restrictive Covenant: Andy Pickett (with prior assistance from Rick Hoffman) will continue to look into the best way to reduce our tax liability on the last LTPA parcel (not included in the Fisher Act). Information will then be shared with the Real Property Tax office for their interpretation.

Signage: Liz Fessenden talked briefly about the new signs at LTPA properties that help us with liability issues.

Communications: Liz Fessenden indicated that we continue to make every effort keep our member list up to date so information can be dispensed completely and efficiently. We need a volunteer to administer a ListServ. The LTPA Blog is still up and running.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion to recognize by proclamation, Kitty Lee Murtagh for over 25 years of service and as "Editor Emeritus of the Equinox" was approved. Betsy Suatoni/Steve Hardy

A motion to recognize by proclamation, Cheryl Casey for her years of service as Co-editor of the Equinox was approved. Laura VanDeusen/Janice Davis

Nominations: The nominating committee presented the following slate for approval:
Sherb House to fill the remaining year of Rick Hoffman's term
Liz Fessenden and Carl Sherwin to serve for a second two-year term
Laura VanDeusen and Muffy Charlebois to serve for another year as Treasurer and secretary
Motion to accept was approved. Rick VanDeusen/Betsy Suatoni

Liz Fessenden commended Muffy Charlebois and Laura VanDeusen for their renewing service.

Insurance: Steve Todd reported that for over 27 years, the insurance protection levels have remained constant. After discussion, a motion to add additional liability and additional D&O under an umbrella at a cost of \$2500 was approved. Frank Lytle/Dan Riley The Board will discuss how to pay the additional premium, including an increase in dues.

Special donations: Liz Fessenden reported that we have received two \$1500 donations: An anonymous donation for improvements at the South Beach and from the Todd family for a dock at the Mt. Immortelle trailhead.

Dam regulations: Liz Fessenden has done some research on DEC regulations regarding our Class A, low hazard dam. To be in compliance we will need to be vigilant about inspecting it yearly and completing a written plan. A Dam Committee will be formed.

Geese: For the first time, geese have become a nuisance at the lake. Suggestions from the DEC were: not to feed them, there is a hunting season for most of the month of September, leave at least 14" of grass at the shoreline to discourage them, and keep your dog on patrol. Chances are they will imprint here and will return.

National Grid clearing: Liz Fessenden met with the forester. If property owners have complaints about the way their property was cleared for the power line access, call 800-642-4272. John Peyton and his staff are willing to work with us.

Announcements:

Darlene Pagano's zoning hearing: There will be a Town of Malone public hearing regarding Darlene's request for a variance on July 22 at 7:30. She would like to complete with her renovations including a deck on the front of her camp.

Bottle Drive: Betty Jo Coryea will be collecting returnable cans/bottles on the next four Tuesdays to assist the North Country Animal Shelter.

Furniture donations: If campers have used furniture to donate, the Family Gap Ministries/Dave Manley, are willing to pick it up.

Surveyor: Sherb House informed the membership that he has been working with a good surveyor, Larry Sheppard, on his Lake Titus property.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was approved at 11:45. Frank Lytle/Louise Murtagh.

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

Muffy Charlebois

From: "Elizabeth Fessenden" <elizabeth.fessenden@verizon.net>
To: "Muffy Charlebois" <muffycharlebois1@twcny.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2009 7:23 PM
Attach: LTPAApreciation&GratitudeProclamationKitty.doc;
 LTPAApreciation&ThanksProclamationCheryl.doc
Subject: resend-FW: docs with proclamations read for Kitty and Cheryl to aid with minutes

Muffy

Not sure what cloud the attachments dropped off on. But I just realized they were in newer version of Word, so I have cut and pasted the verbiage in the body of this email. Thought about the meeting later in the day and have a suspicion I did not ask for a motion to accept the minutes of the 2008 annual meeting as published in the Equinox. Ah, well. Next year will be a bit smoother. I think Teresa Warner is going to become the Editor.

***The Deepest Sense of Appreciation and Gratitude
 from the Lake Titus Protective Association Membership***

Whereas, the Lake Titus Protective Association wishes to acknowledge and posthumously recognize Kathryn "Kitty" Lee Badger Murtagh as the Editor of The Lake Titus Equinox for over twenty-five years and

Whereas, Kitty generously contributed her time and talents to the initial creation in 1981 and subsequent decades of production of a newsletter that embodied the spirit of the lake and

Whereas, Kitty took a very active role in compiling information to keep all readers up to date on local issues, including births, deaths and property transfers and

Whereas, Kitty joyfully gathered "society" notes for Miss U.P. Ashley's column "Notable Notes from Miss Ashley" during each Breakfast Walk from 1981-2008 and

Whereas, Kitty was declared an honorary member of the LTPA in 2007 (*check date with Muffy morning of July 11*) and

Whereas, Kitty loved this lake, these woods, the people and the wild life (both natural and otherwise) with all her heart and soul

Therefore, be it resolved that the Lake Titus Protective Association on its own behalf and on the behalf of all the readers of The Lake Titus Equinox does hereby name Kitty Lee Badger Murtagh "Editor Emeritus of The Lake Titus Equinox" from this day forward

July 11, 2009

***With Appreciation and Thanks
 from the Lake Titus Protective Association Membership***

Whereas, the Lake Titus Protective Association wishes to acknowledge and recognize Cheryl Casey as the co-Editor of The Lake Titus Equinox from 1996-2009 and

Whereas, Cheryl generously contributed her time and talents to bring together all articles and information into an attractive publication and

7/16/2009

Whereas, Cheryl graciously continued her role as co-Editor for five years after moving from Lake Titus to distant Port Charlotte, Florida and

Whereas, Cheryl was considered a vital part of the editing team by LTPA Honorary Member Kitty Lee Murtagh

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Lake Titus Protective Association on its own behalf and on the behalf of all the readers of The Lake Titus Equinox does hereby express its sincere appreciation and thanks and recognize Cheryl Casey for her thirteen years of service to the LTPA as the co-Editor of the Equinox.

July 11, 2009

From: Elizabeth Fessenden [mailto:elizabeth.fessenden@verizon.net]
Sent: Saturday, July 11, 2009 12:48 PM
To: 'Muffy Charlebois'
Subject: docs with proclamations read for Kitty and Cheryl to aid with minutes

LTPA Annual Meeting
July 12, 2008
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Barker, Charlebois, Fessenden, Murtagh, Pickett, Sherwin, VanDeusen.

Absent: Hoffman

Total present: 53

Shoreline owners: 39

Meeting was called to order by President Andy Pickett at 9:09 AM.

A moment of silence was observed for those deceased during the past year: Jayne Crossman, Donald Campbell Havens, Jr., Barbara Hutchins, Laura Child, Charlotte Harwood, Thelma Monaghan Mumley, Ken Carr, Merle Parker, Betty Hardy, Jim Dufort, Bob Empsall, and Harry Upham.

The secretary's report was read and approved. Betsy Suatoni/Larry Spaulding

The treasurer's report was read and approved. Irv Caplan/Bill Slack

Old Business:

Water Quality: Andy Pickett reported for Steve LaMere that the condition of the lake is relatively good in terms of his three tests: phosphorus level, chlorophyll level (some increase that could be due to seasonal variation), and clarity (a little lower than in years past). He indicated a need to prevent runoff, protect lakeside vegetation and to keep testing. There was discussion about when testing should occur (stick with late August after the camping season) and who should conduct the tests. Testing every other year and seeking out others (Paul Smith's students/professors) were suggested. Andy Pickett, Louise Murtagh and Darlene Pagano will check with the Paul Smith's people. Perhaps both Steve LaMere and Paul Smith's could both test us this year to make some comparisons.

A motion to pay \$950 for Steve LaMere to continue the testing this year was made and approved. BJSherwin/Larry Spaulding.

Septic: Lynn Crock and Betty Jo Coryea dye-tested 25 septic systems last year and found no problems. They will continue this year with 30-35 more, if possible. Gordie Crossman thanked them for their work and spoke about its importance to all of us.

Liz Fessenden passed along information about septic problems: if you see sewage in the lake, call the DEC. If sewage is coming from a neighboring property, see the Code Enforcement Officer. Septic tanks should be pumped out every three years for year-around residents and every eight-ten years for seasonal residents.

Luke Crompt spoke about an algae bloom at the north end of the lake, water and sediment runoff around the west side of the dam, and sediment buildup on the other side of the dam. Andy will talk with Jim Smallman about it.

Zoning: Liz Fessenden gave a history of the comprehensive plan work that has been done during the past two years. She did a brief comparison of the major points affecting Lake Titus between the last code and the current proposal. (These included setbacks, clearing, guest cottages, the boathouse overlay zone, lot depth, shoreline access, and boathouses. Since January (2008), the proposal has been with the Town Attorney. At their June 25 meeting, they had a discussion and their minutes are posted on the Town of Malone website. The next Town Board meeting is on July 16. They will discuss the legal review and they *may* call a public hearing at that time. It is very important to attend the public hearing! No matter what your opinion, please attend. The Town Board needs to hear from Lake Titus people.

Scott Smith spoke about being vigilant and staying in contact with the Town Board.

Larry Mundy indicated that he and Jim Smallman attended the fall/winter meeting in order to find out what the future holds for his property, not that they have plans to expand.

Breakfast Walk: Rick VanDeusen reported that at last year's (2007) Breakfast Walk, 231 were served. The profit was \$505.00. The price for breakfast this year will be the same. \$5.00 (adults) 3.00 (children). Rick spoke about the help from the folks at the Blarney Stone and it is good to give them our business.

A motion to raise prices for next year to \$7.00 (adults)/4.00 (children) was made and approved. Bill Slack/Rick VanDeusen. This year we will encourage additional donations.

Many thanks to Rick VanDeusen for his excellent work.

Hiking/Trails: Bruce Barker reported that the Immortelle trail is opened up after much cutting by Rick VanDeusen and Malcolm Kilgour. Rick and Bruce will work on the dock. There was some discussion about the Elephant's Head trail and whether to extend it from the top to the lake. The committee will consider and decide on clearing the trail from Laura Allen Grove to the top of Elephant's Head, in a manner that at the top doesn't tie directly with the NYS trail (which is also overgrown). Al Hardy volunteered to help.

100th LTPA Anniversary Party: Bruce Barker, Andy Pickett, Phil and Meredith Harwood have planned a wonderful party at the Red Tavern later today. The chicken barbecue will cost \$10.00 for adults. There is a cake, locally prepared food, a slideshow, thanks to Andy, and an Old-Timers' Band and some local talent (Jeff Harding).

Commemorative T-shirts are still available and some more can be ordered.

Fire Safety/Navigation: The fire pump is not working. Scott Smith will check on it. Perhaps the Town should take care of it. A question was asked about what boat would be used for boat access only camps. Scott Smith indicated that the fire department members are aware of where boats are available to transport firefighters and equipment.

Bill Slack asked people using the channel to slow down going both ways.

Logging: No report. No logging for 8-10 years.

Golf Tournament: The Lake Titus Open is now known as the "Dan and Elaine Riley Lake Titus Open" and will be held on August 2 at 12:00. Scramble format and the party afterwards will be at VanDeusens'. This year it will be a potluck and BYO.

Hick's Cup: The Commodore Hicks Cup will be on Sunday, August 3 at 2:00. It is organized by Andy Pickett and Rick Hoffman. Participants were invited to attend the post golf tournament party at VanDeusens' on Sunday evening.

Equinox: Kitty Lee reported that returned Equinoxes were too expensive to resend. She also indicated that she and Cheryl Casey will write the 2009 Equinox, then they will turn it over in 2010. They are looking for volunteers.

New Business:

1. There was a unanimous vote to name the South Beach landing "Honeybear Landing" in honor of Bill Smallman. A commemorative sign will be unveiled at the Breakfast Walk. Thanks to Rick and Laura VanDeusen for designing and constructing this.

2. Louise Murtagh asked about the possibility of a deeper drawdown for dock repair. There was much discussion, both pro and con. Andy will check with Steve LaMere and with Paul Smith's about the environmental impact.

A motion was made and approved to table the discussion for next year and lower the lake again this winter 16". Rick VanDeusen/Betty Jo Coryea.

3. Laura VanDeusen talked about trash at the South Beach. Discussion was held about having a sign posted there asking people to "pack in and pack out" and that no fires should be set on the beach. The sign will also note that the property is private LTPA land.

4. Andy Pickett reported that he and Rick Hoffman are talking about formulating a restrictive covenant on the one LTPA parcel not covered by the Fisher Act to help lower the taxes.

A motion was made and approved to go ahead with work. Gordie Warner/BJ Sherman.

5. Luke Crompt requested that the lost or removed LTPA sign on the Waterdam Road side of the dam be replaced to discourage day use by non-members.

6. Kitty Lee Murtagh reported that Allan and Dorothy's grandson took and donated a sunset photograph of the lake to be raffled off at the Breakfast Walk.

7. Betty Jo Coryea asked about a Google list serve group for email communication. Laura VanDeusen told about a MySpace Lake Titus website that has been set up by Al Smith's son. Laura also indicated that it has been difficult to gather the email addresses for members.

8. The nominating committee (Mary Claire Sherwin, Kitty Lee Murtagh and Muffy Charlebois) presented a slate for trustees. Louise Murtagh and Lynn Crock are willing to serve 2-year terms; Bruce Barker and Rick Hoffman will serve a second two-year term; Laura VanDeusen and Muffy Charlebois are willing to serve on the board as Treasurer and Secretary for another year.

A motion was made and approved to accept the slate. Bill Slack/Betsy Suatoni.

9. Laura VanDeusen thanked Andy Pickett for his years of service on behalf of all of us.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING

July 14, 2007

St. Helen's Parish Center

Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Bruce Barker, Glenn Black, Muffy Charlebois, Rick Hoffman, Andy Pickett, Lynn Smith, Laura VanDeusen.

Absent: BJ Sherwin

Total present: 50

Shoreline owners: 32

Meeting was called to order by President Andy Pickett at 9:10 AM

There was a moment of silence for members deceased during the past year: Sharon Elliott Nagy, Ernest H. Berry, Jr., Patty Palter, Willson Daily, Ken McCullough, Norman Hicks, Barbara Hutchins.

The secretary's report was read and approved. (Dan Riley/Cy Paumier)

The treasurer's report was read and approved. (Frank Lytle/Gordon Warner)
Bruce Barker also reported on the LTPA portfolio and made suggestions for changes allowing us to use dividends to offset expenses.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Quality: Steve LaMere was unable to be at the meeting. Andy Pickett gave a brief report and offered a handout. Steve's report indicated some increase in phosphorus levels, but overall, the lake is in good shape. Other points mentioned/discussed were: the status of milfoil (not as bad as the explosion of milfoil this year in other nearby Adirondack lakes); boats **MUST** be washed off before being launched in the lake; it's important to get rid of floating sections of milfoil so they don't reseed; if anyone is interested in the barrier mats to put over localized milfoil beds, they are available; the effect of so much rain on lake quality and testing; hand-pulling milfoil; when to test the water; and the necessity of Steve's input. Several present talked about the lake being our most important asset that should be protected. The money we spend is a small price to pay for peace of mind. Lynn Crock sent around a sign-up sheet for volunteer dye-testing and it was agreed by many that everyone should participate.

The motion to spend \$800 to Steve LaMere for testing this year was approved. (Sherb House/Louise Murtagh).

Ken Carr - *Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP)* for the Salmon River corridor (watershed) for the Town/Village of Malone, was present to describe his project.

He explained that Lake Titus hadn't been included for two reasons: they already have a strong association and one of the members thought there might be a revolt against the LWRP in total if Lake Titus was included.

The main advantage for being a part of the program is to open up possibilities for grants for water quality testing and other related items. The project hasn't yet been approved and they already have a \$35000 grant. The goal is to take existing laws and monitor them more easily. They want to educate people rather than telling them what to do and then help them do it.

Responsibilities would include meeting certain standards. Those standards will be included in the new zoning code currently being developed.

It was decided to have the Board meet with Ken to gain a better understanding of the project.

Breakfast Walk - Laura VanDeusen gave the report for Rick VanDeusen. Last year (2006) 190 people were served. There was a \$327 profit plus another \$605 profit from the raffle. This year's breakfast (2007) will be on August 4th from 8:30-11:00. A sign-up sheet was passed around to cover duties.

The Hicks Cup, a sailboat race at 2:00 on the afternoon of August 4th, is still on.

Hiking/Trails - Bruce Barker reported that the Immortelle trail is open and still being worked on. The Elephant's Head trail is maintained by the state and is OK. Jim Smallman will do some work on the Immortelle dock.

History - Muffy Charlebois reported that the *Our Lake Titus* books are still available at \$35 per copy. We hope that those who didn't submit information will add to their own copies. There also is a correction sheet available.

Fire Safety/Navigation - Lynn Smith reported that there had been no incidents, a couple of rescue calls. 9-1-1 #'s were posted for easy access. Boats speeding close to shore and docks in the narrow area near Smallman's have been reported. Everyone should be aware of the wakes they are making.

Logging - Laura VanDeusen reported that LTPA lands won't be ready for logging for another 8-10 years. The last logging was done in 1998.

Golf Tournament - Dan Riley reported that this year's tournament will be held at the Malone Golf Club on August 5th. Entry fee is \$5.00 and a scramble (no pressure) format will be used. The Post-tournament party will be at Warner's.

Equinox - Kitty Lee Murtagh asked that if you move, please let her know.

Kitty was honored with a life-time honorary membership in appreciation of her hard work and long service.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lynn Smith announced the winner of the door prize, a 1-year subscription to *Cabin Life*. The winner was Frank Lytle.

2. Dam/Boat Launch update: Muffy Charlebois reported that the lock/chain that was placed on the gate at the dam in November was cut shortly after the ice was out. When asked for suggestions as to how to proceed, there was conversation about whether the LTPA is allowed to have a lock on the gate. Several still thought that it is not allowed, but past and present members of the Board indicated again that it IS our right to have a locked gate, that we have no verbal or written agreement with the State to have public access at the dam. Kitty Lee Murtagh and Andy Pickett will check to be sure. Better signs might help. The survey of LTPA property at the dam was done last fall. Boundary lines are very irregular but clear.

3. Water level: Jim Smallman reported that there was a 16" drawdown last year. A motion to drawdown again 16" in 2007 was approved. (Sherb House/Liz Fessenden)

4. Zoning: Andy Pickett gave a quick history of zoning discussion over the last year.

There will be another Town zoning committee informational meeting on August 16 at 7:00 at the Town offices. If there are no other informational meetings, the Town Board will approve a plan. A public hearing will be held. The proposal will go back to the Town Board for final approval. An exact timetable is still uncertain.

Discussion included:

John Johnson: a thank you to the LTPA zoning committee, a question regarding permitted accessory structures, for example docks and NYS navigation law; a contradiction in two parts of the proposed zoning code regarding existing lots of record and rebuilding (Rick Hoffman will look into it); and a question regarding building a boathouse on an undersized lot using current or proposed setback regulations.

Shawn McClain: explained clearing on his one shoreline lot of record, 303'. He cleared trees on 100' or 1/3 of his shoreline lot. He plans to subdivide. Regulations on cutting of trees on subdivided lots are unclear. There was much discussion about cutting trees along the shoreline.

Other discussion:

Gordon Crossman: has concerns about representation at last year's annual LTPA meeting. He also spoke about lawns adjoining the lake. He indicated that we should be thankful that Lake Titus is not included in the Adirondack Park.

Scott Smith: is willing to share information about ways to help hold the land and prevent sediment erosion other than leaving trees.

John Johnson: has replaced 180 shrubs and trees on his land and has used no fertilizer. Patience as his trees grow is important.

Frank Lytle: complimented the Harwoods on the great job they have done with their trees.

Shawn McClain: urged everyone to do a dye test.

Cy Paumier and Larry Spaulding: asked about the percentage of taxes paid to the Town of Malone by Lake Titus property owners. That number is not clear.

John Johnson: in regard to perceptions about people at Lake Titus by others in the town, feels that we should be fortunate, thankful, and lucky to be at the lake, not special.

Mark Gonyea (Town Planning Board Chairman): after listening to the discussion, feels that Lake Titus needs subdivision regulations as well as what has already been proposed.

Cy Paumier: suggested that we raise dues to help with cash flow difficulties.

Lynn Smith: appealed to the membership to consider putting the LTPA in their wills. Activity in the endowment fund varies from year to year.

The nominating committee (Gordon Warner, Mary Claire Sherwin and Kitty Lee Murtagh) proposed replacements for 3 Board positions being vacated this year. Lynn Smith has resigned one year early. Glenn Black and BJ Sherwin's terms are complete. The proposed new Board members are Liz Fessenden and Carl Sherwin for the two year terms and Louise Murtagh for the 1 year replacement term. A motion to approve the slate was approved. (Frank Lytle/Jim Smallman)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Muffy Charlebois, Secretary

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8-29-06

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING
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The secretary's report was read and approved. (Mary Claire Sherwin/Sally Cheney)

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Committee reports:

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NOTE: IF YOU SELL YOUR CAMP OR PROPERTY, MAKE SURE THE NEW OWNER IS FAMILIAR WITH THESE ZONING REGULATIONS.

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OTHER - TOWN ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT & ENFORCE INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES -

Discussion Items

1. Permitted uses: delete two-family dwellings, outdoor recreational developments, campsites
2. Change minimum lot width to 150 feet
3. Add required minimum shoreline frontage = 150 feet
4. Change building setbacks: 30 feet side and rear for principal structures, 15 feet for accessory structures (no rear setback for boathouses)
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7. Deeded or contractual lake access (6b). Change to?:
 A minimum 50 feet of shoreline frontage is required for each lot providing contractual access to Lake Titus for existing and future dwellings not having separate and distinct ownership of shoreline frontage. Said minimum shoreline frontage shall be independent and separate from any shoreline frontage required for any existing or proposed shoreline building lot. (For instance, a shoreline lot granting shoreline access to one interior lot shall have at least 200 feet of shoreline frontage, 150 feet for the shoreline lot plus 50 feet for the contractual access lot.)
8. Regulations for docks and/or moorings and floating docks. Are they needed?

9. Number of structures per lot (would apply town-wide). Options:

- Limit to one residential structure per lot.
- Allow 2 residential structures per lot provided that they are placed on a lot twice the minimum lot size, and arrangement is such that two lots could be created in the future that comply with setback requirements.



LTPA ANNUAL MEETING

July 9, 2005

St. Helen's Parish Center

Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Charlie Bryden, Muffy Charlebois, Jamie Durant, Patrick Murtagh, Andy Pickett, Lynn Smith, Laura VanDeusen. Absent: Doug Coryea.

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM by President Jamie Durant.

New camp owners were invited to introduce themselves. Rick Hoffman, a two-year owner, introduced himself because this was his first meeting.

There was a moment of silence for members deceased during the past year: Helen Crooks Gibbons, Shirley Chalifaux, Parker Connors, Alice Donovan Mahoney, and Larry House.

The Secretary's report was read and approved. (Patrick Murtagh/Glenn Black)

The Treasurer's report was read, some points mentioned for later action, and approved. (Irv Caplan/Glenn Black)

Committee Reports:

Water quality: Andy Pickett explained that Lake Titus "passed" all three of Steve LaMere's tests and that the quality of the lake has been stable since 1990. He reminded us that the lake is a fragile ecosystem and we all need to be vigilant especially regarding any fertilizer use, and that we should monitor our own septic systems. Lynn Crock has some dye tabs for those who want to test their own systems.

Kitty Lee Murtagh said that the Malone Recreation Park Commission would like a copy of our water quality report. She will refer them to Andy Pickett.

Carl Sherwin said that the WalMart brand of dishwashing soap is the most "lake-friendly."

Breakfast Walk: Laura VanDeusen reported for Rick VanDeusen that last year's

Breakfast Walk was a success with 165 served on a cloudy, cool day. Profit was \$143.95. The 2005 Breakfast Walk will be held on August 6. Rick VanDeusen and Glenn Black will co-chair the event. A sign-up sheet for workers is at the back table.

Membership and dues: After a discussion of the general financial health of the association, including increased costs and taxes and the difficulties in maintaining cash flow, a motion was made and then amended to raise the dues to \$75 for members for 2005-06. The motion was approved. (Laura VanDeusen/Chuck Carpenter)

There was then a discussion of the fiscal year, as determined by the LTPA charter, and ways to simplify the accounting schedule. The treasurer will use a January to December accounting year, with a "snapshot" of the treasury at the annual meeting.

Hiking and Trails: Steve Todd reported that the Mt. Immortelle trail is in good shape and that the top of Elephant's Head is very overgrown.

History and Lake Titus Books: Muffy Charlebois reported that the new Lake Titus history, Our Lake Titus, is selling well. When the first 200 have been sold, the LTPA should realize a \$200 profit after expenses. After that, profit should be better, if other books are printed and sold. Campers were encouraged to send their histories if they haven't already done so, for future printings. Andy Pickett added that he felt that "the LTPA publications serve as the glue that holds the association together."

Navigation and Lake Safety: Patrick Murtagh reported that there have been some infractions and he is still willing to talk with offenders. He reminded members to inform any renters of the boating safety rules. Sherb House suggested that we include a list of rules and regulations with the Equinox in the spring. Andy Pickett suggested that members take pictures of people not following the rules.

Taxes: Charlie Bryden reported that taxes on the eight LTPA parcels will most likely increase by approximately \$2000. Andy Pickett will check on the status of our Fisher Act exemption with the town attorney. Lynn Crock will look into the Adirondack Land Trust and the Nature Conservancy as well.

Fire Report: Lynn Smith reported that there have been no incidents. 9-1-1 signs have been delivered. Members were reminded to mount signs and pay for them. Other reminders were made regarding smoke alarms, fire extinguishers (where they can be filled), and to check on county-wide burn bans. Jamie Durant will check on the signage for Waterdam Road with the town. Jamie will also talk with the state highway department regarding the dangerous entrance/exit of the west boathouse road. Bill Kilgour reported that the road is not well marked and is just below a blind hill.

Equinox: Kitty Lee Murtagh reminded members to call or email her with information for the next issue. She also reiterated, "no dues, no news!"

Golf tournament: Dan Riley announced this year's Lake Titus tournament on Sunday, August 7 at the Malone Golf and Country Club. Dinner afterwards will be at the Childs camp this year. All are welcome.

Unfinished business:

Chuck Carpenter asked about mounting some kind of padding on the dam to keep boats from being damaged during launching. Gordie Warner remembered this discussion from prior meetings and mentioned that no holes were to be drilled in the cement. Perhaps poles with padding could be driven into the ground in front of the dam. Jamie Durant will look into that.

NEW BUSINESS

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(Jamie Durant/Frank Lytle)

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A motion to adjourn was accepted at 11:19 AM.

M. Charlebois, Secretary

LTPA Annual Meeting

July 9, 2005

Agenda

- Welcome
- Call meeting to order
- Establish a quorum
- New camp owners – please stand and introduce yourselves
- Moment of silence for departed members- Helen Crooks- Gibbons, Shirley Chalifeux, Parker Connors, Alice Donovan Mahoney, Larry House and any others we have missed.
- Announce Larry House graveside service.
- Reading of last years minutes- Motion to approve and second
- Treasurers Report
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 1. Lake Report- Andy Pickett
 2. Dam Level- Vote on lowering the lake or keeping it the same
 3. Fishing Report- Mike Baylis or Bill Smallman.
 4. Breakfast walk- Laura VanDeusen
 5. Membership and Dues- Laura VanDeusen- vote on raise of dues
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 9. Taxes Report- Charles Bryden
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- Unfinished business- open to membership
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 1. Survey at dam
 2. Election of Trustees- Gordon Warner- vote and second
 3. Presidents comments
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St. Helen's Parish Center

Chasm Falls, NY

Board members present: Charlie Bryden, Muffy Charlebois, Doug Coryea, Jamie Durant, Patrick Murtaugh, Joel Santy, Rick VanDeusen. Absent: Tyler MacDonald

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 AM by President Jamie Durant.

New camp owners were introduced.

There was a moment of silence for members deceased during the past year.

The Secretary's report was read and approved. (Patrick Murtaugh/Andy Pickett)

Wayne Cashman, Town of Malone Assessor, was introduced and made a presentation regarding the pending reassessment of 5400 parcels in the township. The last reassessment was done 14 years ago.

150 parcels on Lake Titus are currently assessed at \$7,300,000 or 17% of the current town total assessments.

Changes in the formula are based on recent sales in the town which involve approximately 10% of the parcels that change hands yearly.

In 2000, he calculated a sample reassessment using a new formula for lake front footage. Taxpayers would be assessed \$500 per foot for the first 50 feet, \$350 per foot for the next 50 feet, \$200 per foot for the next 50 feet, and \$100 per foot for remaining footage. Adding to lake front footage would be building values. The resulting increase would have been 42% in 2000.

The only recourse in place now is to grieve new tax bills early in the spring. Mr. Cashman indicated he may recommend a second grievance day later in the spring so more property owners would be able to attend.

The Treasurer's report was read by Sandy MacDonald and approved. (Sherb House/Irv Caplan).

Lake Quality report was given by Andy Pickett, who has worked closely with Steve Lamere, who was unable to attend. The lake appears to be in pretty good shape. The phosphorus count is down. Milfoil seems to be in check. A motion to have Steve Lamere continue for \$800 was approved. (MaryClaire Sherwin/Lynn Crock).

Fish: Bill Smallman gave a brief history of fish in Lake Titus. He recommends that those catching large bass, release them. Perch should also be returned to the lake. It would help to destroy the little rock bass. Otherwise, "we shouldn't fight Mother Nature" by introducing other varieties.

Breakfast Walk: Rick VanDeusen is chairman for this year's 51st Breakfast Walk on Saturday, August 7. Raindate is Sunday, August 8. Ticket prices this year will be raised to \$5.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children. A sign-up sheet was circulated for workers.

Membership and dues: Sandy MacDonald reported that 29/60 members were paid as of today's date. There are three membership categories: Members, \$50, Associate members, \$25, and Friends of Lake Titus (for an Equinox subscription only) \$10.

Hiking and Trails: The LTPA thanked John Kuretz and Doug Coryea for clearing the trail to Cathedral Rocks. They plan to continue clearing the trail to the base of the Palisades at the beaver dam. The Immortelle Trail is in good shape with a few large trees across the trail that need to be cut up. The top of Elephant's Head is overgrowing quickly.

LTPA Booklets and History: Muffy Charlebois reported that many camps have received their free copy of the Lake Titus booklet printed last summer. Extras are being sold for \$5.00. See Laura VanDeusen or Muffy for additional copies.

Larry House, Sally House and Muffy Charlebois continue to work on the lake history. Many submissions have been received, but many are missing. Each camp will have at least one page or more. They hope to publish the book in the late fall, in time for Christmas. Price will be determined later. After expenses, all profits will be channeled directly to the LTPA.

Navigation and Safety: Patrick Murtaugh reported that the lake is very well off. He and Joel Santy continue to serve as "watchdogs" often talking with boaters. Personal Water Crafts have declined on the lake. All people operating PWC's need to have a boating safety license. He encouraged everyone to take the boaters' safety course and to register their boats. Be sure renters know the boating rules. Let Patrick or Joel know if you see violations and avoid the need for outside intervention. The boat course will be given in Potsdam next weekend.

Equinox: Kitty Lee Murtaugh made corrections to email addresses and Breakfast Walk ticket prices that were incorrect in the Equinox. She also reported that Betty Little, State Senator, wants as much information as

possible about reassessment of lake front property.

Kitty Lee talked about a NYS publication including special events in the state. The Breakfast Walk is just such an event. Perhaps better than including it in a publication, perhaps the LTPA could discuss renaming the South Beach area for Laura Allen.

Those present at the meeting sang Happy (90th) Birthday to Bill Smallman!

Gate at the dam: The gate at the dam has been installed. It is not locked. The LTPA sign is attached to the gate. Please keep it closed.

LTPA Golf Tournament: Frankie Lytle and Dan Riley reported that the tournament will be held on Sunday, August 8. Dinner afterwards will be at MacDonalds'.

New Business

The Board will monitor the tax issue. A committee has been formed and board members will attend Town Board Meetings.

A motion was approved for the expenditure of up to \$5000 for legal services.
(Frank Lytle/Scott Smith)

Lake quality: There was discussion about the presence of E-coli in some locations on the lake. Andy Pickett will check with Steve LaMere to see what should be done.

South Beach: A motion was approved to rename the Breakfast Walk area the "Laura Allen Memorial Grove." (Patrick Murtaugh/Laura VanDeusen)

Election of Trustees: Motion was approved to re-elect Muffy Charlebois and Doug Coryea for another term. (Bill Slack/Sherb House).

Thank you to Tyler MacDonald, Joel Santy and Rick VanDeusen for their service.

A motion was approved to elect Andy Pickett, Lynn Smith and Laura VanDeusen for the following term. (Gordie Warner/Bill Slack).

A suggestion was made to purchase Breakfast Walk supplies at the Blarney Stone Store.

Scott Smith reminded campers to put their 911 signs on in case of emergency.

A motion to adjourn was approved at 11:55 AM. (Herb Smith/Lynn Smith)

L.T.P.A. ANNUAL MEETING
July 12, 2003
St. Helen's Parish Center
Chasm Falls, NY

President Rick VanDeusen called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM.

He introduced the board: Present: Joel Santy, Jamie Durant, Charlie Bryden, Tyler MacDonald, Pat Murtaugh, and Muffy Charlebois. Absent: Doug Coryea

A moment of silence was observed for members departed during the year: Bert Harding, Marlene Kissane, Mary Lathrop LaFarge, Delbert Earle, Frances Stark and Bill Kilburn.

New members introduced themselves: Tom and Judy Hamilton, Jane Gallagher.

Minutes were read and approved. (Mike Bayliss/Carl Sherwin)

President's report:

Personal Water Craft: The LTPA package was sent to the Town of Malone in September. Town Board met sometime in November and tabled the request, but didn't inform us. In January, Rick VanDeusen sent a letter asking for a response. They never responded. Rick met with Bob Gleason in February thinking when he left that the Town understood and would agree with our request. In March, the Board decided not to take any action on the request.

Patrick Murtaugh is in the process of becoming a certified instructor. As of January 1, 2004, everyone operating a PWC will need to have taken the course. The problem is that there is no enforcement. Patrick will continue to talk with people on the lake using PWC.

Breakfast Walk: Rick VanDeusen will chair the event, the real 50th anniversary.

Trails: John Kuretz and others cleaned up the Immortelle Trail.

Equinox: There was a round of applause for Kitty Lee Murtaugh thanking her for here efforts.

Lake level: Dropping the lake 16" seems to have been favorable with this year's thick ice. More frogs are back. Ice out was "gentle as a lamb" with little dock damage. The draw down will occur again this year on November 15

Sign at the dam: Wording on the sign is fine, not too restrictive.

Treasurer's Report: Tyler MacDonald gave the report which is attached.

- Total assets this year are approximately \$5000 less than last year due to less return on investments and increases in insurance costs.
- Steven Todd, from the insurance company clarified the insurance issues.
- Report approved. (Frank Lytle/)

Motion for board to take \$4000 out of Templeton Fund to pay current bills, to be paid back when dues have been received. Approved. (Rick VanDeusen/Betsy Suatoni)

Committee Reports:

Fire/Safety Committee: Jamie Durant introduced Jerry Fisher, Chief of Malone Callfiremen. He spoke about: 911 capability in January 2004, (this summer continue to use 483-1211), his need for names and numbers of people who are year round residents at the lake and those who are boat accessible only, the pump at Smallman's, the downside of organizing a fire brigade (expense and training), the possibility of a new pump, his need for a list of trained people (perhaps from other states) already on the lake, and a request for those with pontoon boats to report to Smallman's to help transport equipment and firefighters. He left phone stickers and Tot Finders for anyone who would like them.

Sherb House thanked Jerry and his crew for the good work they continue to do.

Signs: Tyler MacDonald announced that there are metal signs available on the back table for each 911 #. We are asking for \$15.00 per pair of signs.

Water Quality: Andy Pickett reported that he spent time with Steve LaMere last August to do water samples. We continue to have good water quality. Steve continues to monitor trends regarding phosphorus and septic systems. Residents should not use fertilizer on lawns near the lake and follow zoning restrictions carefully in regard to cutting trees along the shoreline. The weevil that eats milfoil is present. Andy explained where the sampling is done, and Lynn Crock mentioned that for \$25, you can buy a kit and test the water yourself for e coli.

A motion made to have Steve LaMere continue his testing this year. Approved. (CharlieBryden/Andy Pickett.)

Lake Control: Jim Smallman talked about the need for cutting another hole in one of the gates when the lake is drawn down. He will take care of it.

Membership and dues: Rick VanDeusen established a quorum at this point in order to continue with action items. Sandy MacDonald reported that we have 49 paid members and 35 of them are present today.

Trails: John Kuretz plans to meet interested workers on Saturday, July 26 at 7:30 AM at the South Beach to work on reclaiming the Palisades trail.

Navigation: Patrick Murtaugh announced that the Boater's Safety Course will be taught in Potsdam on July 14-15. They will accept 10 from our area. Patrick will try to teach the course locally next year. Watch for an announcement in the Equinox. Contact Patrick if you see any problems occurring with PWC. Joel Santy added that anyone, ages 10-18, must have taken the course in order to drive any motorized boat. Laura VanDeusen reminded renters to let their tenants know the rules on the lake. People visiting the lake from out of state should check to see whether the approval they have at home is good here in NYS. Observers for waterskiing, tubing, etc. must be at least 10 years of age. The craft pulling the skier, etc. must be able to hold at least 3 people. We all should honor the no wake zone and travel no faster than 5 MPH within

100 feet of shore.

LTPA 2003 Booklet: We hope to have the new LTPA booklet available at the Breakfast Walk. Motion made to authorize up to \$500 for printing costs for 400 booklets. Approved. (Muffy Charlebois/Laura VanDeusen). Motion made to give a copy to each member camp and sell additional booklets for \$5.00 each. Approved. (Laura VanDeusen/Patrick Murtaugh). Donations will be gratefully accepted.

Muffy Charlebois asked for individual camp information for a more extensive history of the lake publication to be compiled with Larry House this winter.

NEW BUSINESS:

ByLaws: Changes and rearrangements were proposed:

Article I: regarding Associate members (\$25) and a new category: Friends of the lake (\$10), which is an Equinox subscription fee. Approved. (Larry House/Sherb House).

Article II: regarding terms of trustees, and length of the secretary's and treasurer's terms in order to keep people in those jobs: terms will be extended *by a vote of the membership*. Approved. (Andy Pickett/Irv Caplan).

Article III: No more membership cards. Approved. (Mike Bayliss/Scott Smith).

Lists: In order to organize the multiple lists of members, subscriptions, campowners, 911, tax numbers, etc., Laura VanDeusen will try to merge them. Motion to remove someone from the list if they have not paid dues for two years. Reminder will go into the Equinox. Approved. (Laura VanDeusen/Joe Chalifoux).

Election of Trustees: Gordie Warner nominated Jamie Durant and Patrick Murtaugh for a second two-year term. Approved. (Gordie Warner/Charlie Bryden).

Breakfast Walk: August 2, 2003: 8:30-11:00. Same folks are asked to perform same jobs. Friday night before the Breakfast will be a clean-up at 5:00 PM with Doug Coryea. Motion made to raise prices to \$3.50 and \$5.00 next year. Approved. (Rick VanDeusen/Andy Pickett).

Theresa Warner showed us T-shirts, golf shirts, and hats. Give orders to Bev Marsden for 50th Annual Breakfast Walk commemorative products.

Blarney Stone: New store on Route 30. May have gasoline soon. We should try to patronize their business.

Golf: Dan Riley announced the 4th Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, August 3 at the Malone Golf Club at 1:30 PM. Scramble format. \$5.00 fee.

Nancy Hanna announced that she is selling lamps.

Fisheries report: Mike Bayliss and Nancy Hanna provided a presentation on fish in the lake since 1910. Their report and suggestions are attached.

A motion to authorize the board to place a gate or chain on Ice House Road in order to stop non-members from launching boats at the dam was approved. (Rick VanDeusen/ Adrian Cheney).

Bill Smallman closed the meeting with his philosophy on treated lumber, lead paint and asbestos.

Motion to adjourn at 12:45 PM . Approved. (Scott Smith/ Andy Pickett).

Muffy Charlebois
Secretary 7/16/03

LTPA FISHING GUIDELINES

2003

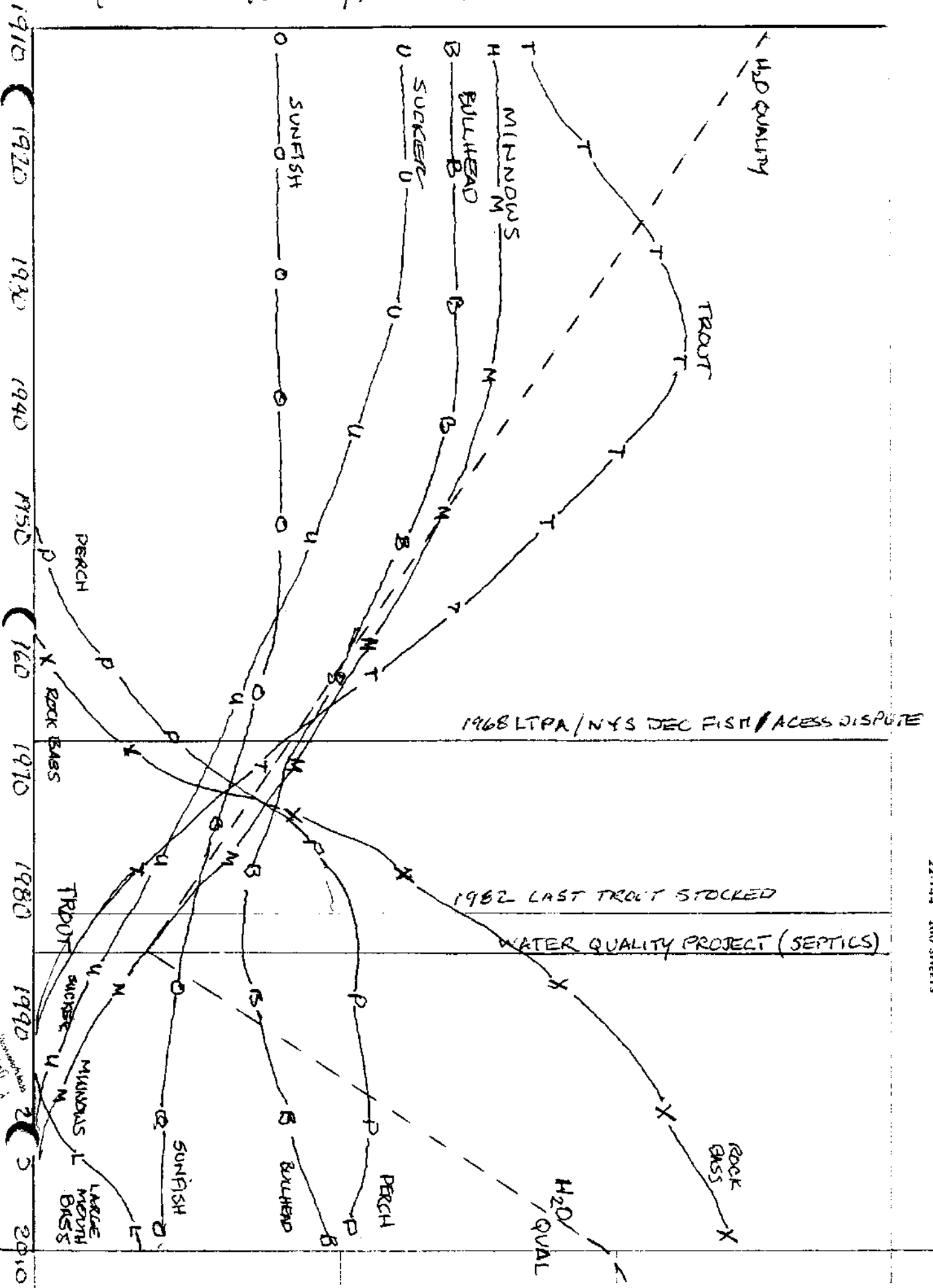
- **No Boats From St. Lawrence Seaway System.***
- **No Bait Fish!**
- **Worms And Artificial Baits Only.**
- **Do Not Return Rock Bass (Red Eye) Or Perch To Lake. Keep And Dispose Of These Non-Native Nuisance Fish.**
- **Largemouth Black Bass Fishery Is New And Experimental. Please Obey NYS DEC Regulations And Return All Bass > 18" To Lake For Breeding Stock.**
- **We Strongly Encourage Catch And Release (Barbless Hooks) Until Gamefish Stocks Are More Secure. If You Don't Eat Them, Put Them Back For Others To Enjoy.**
- **Be A Good Neighbor And Conservationist.**

Thank You, Enjoy!

**Michael Bayliss
LTPA Fishery Committee*
Nanatuk Lodge
483-3705**

(WATER QUALITY)

FISH POPULATION →



22-141 30 SHEETS
 22-142 100 SHEETS
 22-143 200 SHEETS

1/100
 5/100
 5/100

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 13, 2002

President Rick VanDeusen brought the meeting to order at 9:15 am. He informed the membership of a working mic at the head table. After introducing the board, he called for a moment of silence for the members who departed during the past year: Irene Spaulding, Laura Allen, Bill Stout, Sylvia Berry Teague, Joan Snowden, and Cecelia Maguire. He then introduced new camp owners and members.

MINUTES

The minutes of last year's meeting were read. After corrections changing the word "portable" to "potable" regarding the lake water and changing the word "regarding" to "restricting" in the sentence about tabling the vote on personal watercraft, a motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and passed. (B. Slack and A.Cheney)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tyler MacDonald gave the treasurer's report which is attached. A motion by Irv Caplan, seconded by Chuck Hicks to accept the report passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Breakfast Walk: Rick Van Deusen admitted to egg on his face, since last year was not the 50th anniversary of the event but was celebrated with free breakfasts for all as if it were. However, due to a number of voluntary contributions, the cost to the LTPA was a mere \$214, and 179 people were served. We will do something special next year when the real anniversary arrives.

Navigation: Patrick Murtagh reported on the main issue this year, enumerating his points in favor of allowing personal watercraft to continue on the lake. His points included: the fact that many other types of boats are as noisy as pwc's and also dump a large amount of gas into the lake; that there are technical advances in the making of pwc; there are laws on the books already to control reckless use of pwc (e.g. by 2004 a water safety course will be required of all pwc users of a certain age); and finally that the sheriff has no boat to patrol a ban. He encouraged the membership to vote "no" on the motion to advise the town board to ban personal watercraft. He had offered to give a course on the use of pwc; however, he discovered the instructor's course was 16 hours, and he has not been able to make the time to take it.

Trails: Rick VanDeusen reported that no trail clean-up has occurred since the ice storm. Mt Immortelle trail needs a

clean-up badly, and he asked for volunteers to help in this. John Kuertz offered his help.

Lake Pollution Control: Andy Pickett reported he went around the lake with Steve Lemere last summer. The following observations were made: there are some positive changes from the year 2000 to 2001: less phosphorus; algae levels are slightly higher, but this could be just the time of year they were looking; the transparency level is slightly better (from 11.2 to 11.9 feet). There is room for improvement, e.g. there is a trend away from the use of 2 stroke to 4 stroke motors which we should encourage. Two stroke motors dump 25 to 30% of their gas directly into the water. The weevil is still with us. Regarding the issue of stocking fish, it was Steve's opinion that it is a very tricky thing to tamper with the lake's ecology; what we need is a proper balance of fish. The Tiger Muskie is probably not a good idea as it is a very large meat eating fish which could clean the lake out of all other fish and lives about 15 years. The bass are probably OK. Andy and Tyler plan to go around with Steve this Aug. Bruce Santy questioned why we don't get a second opinion from some other water ecologist and ask the state (who would be free) for their opinion on the quality of our water. Rick suggested the board look into this. Bill Slack brought to the members attention the pamphlet on landscape and vegetated buffers' impact on water quality. Andy moved that we continue this year with Steve Lemere. The motion passed.

Membership and Dues: Sandi MacDonald reported we have 77 paid members to date.

Fire Safety: Jamie Durant wants to form a committee to train in fire pump use. Last Labor Day weekend he and others worked on the ice house road to the dam. He moved allotting a maximum of \$600 for crusher run to improve this road. The motion passed.

Fire Signs: Tyler MacDonald reported the Franklin Co. Correctional Facility will make the # signs free of charge. Do we want wooden or metal signs? After discussion, Laura VanDeusen moved we get metal signs like the DEC signs. The motion passed.

Historian: Larry House spoke of Frances Daly's book and the need to re-do the Lake Titus pamphlet which hasn't been updated since 1982. This is a board project for this year.

Equinox: Kitty Lee Murtagh accepted a round of applause for her efforts, and she in turn applauded Cheryl Casey for all her work bringing the Equinox to fruition. Kitty asked people to please send in contributions.

By-Law Change: Rick VanDeusen moved and Tyler MacDonald

seconded the motion to pass the proposed by-law change to increase the amount the board is authorized to spend in a given year from \$500 to \$1500. The motion passed.

Lake Level: Acknowledging there is much evidence to support lowering the lake to control weed growth, and there is also much evidence to the contrary, Rick VanDeusen moved we draw the lake down 16 inches for the next three years. We will try to determine if it makes any difference to weeds and to dock damage. After some discussion the motion passed, 28 for and 10 against. The draw down takes place on Nov. 15.

Personal Watercraft: President VanDeusen opened the discussion on personal watercraft with a motion to remove from the table the motion of last year to recommend to the Malone town board a ban on personal watercraft on Lake Titus. Discussion was limited to 20 minutes and each person was allowed up to 2 minutes to make their point. Arguments against the recommendation included encouraging responsible use of pwc, reticence to infringe on peoples rights and fun, willingness on P. Murtagh's part to police the lake and talk to reckless users, our ability as a close-knit community to work together, example of Upper Saranac Lake which did not ban pwc but deputized a person to police activity. Arguments in favor of the ban included extremely high accident rate (over 50% of boating accidents involve pwc), maybe our last chance to exercise control over what happens on our lake, many lakes are banning pwc, so we could become inundated with them, hours on end of noise, ability to revisit the issue if proper enforcement could be set up and if advanced technology produces a quieter engine, amount of gas dumped in the lake. The question was called. The vote was 33 in favor of the recommendation to ban (4 proxy, 29 present) to 23 not in favor (6 proxy, 17 present). It was moved and seconded that we recommend to the town board a 2 year moratorium on the start of the ban. The motion passed, 27 for, 11 against. Carl Sherwin moved, Andy Pickett seconded, that no new pwc be brought to the lake effective today and the ban be effective starting 2 years from today, July 13, 2004. Discussion ensued. The motion was amended to read simply that the ban be effective 2 years from today. The motion passed, 22 for, 11 against.

Sign at Dam: A question was raised regarding the no trespassing sign at the dam. The board will research this issue to see if the wording of the sign should be changed.

Election of Trustees: Andy Pickett, Bonnie Lytle, and Tim Mere are leaving the board. Mary Claire Sherwin, chair of the nominating committee, presented this slate to the membership: Muffy Charlebois, Doug Coryea, and Chas. Bryden. There were no nominations from the floor. Rick VanDeusen moved, Andy Pickett seconded, the slate be accepted. The motion passed.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Betsy Suatoni

Betsy Suatoni, Acting Secretary

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING

July 14, 2001

St. Helen's Parish Hall

1). The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by President Charles Bryden. Quorum (20 needed)

was established. New camp owners Sue and Tim Clark, Luke Crompt and Betty Joe Corea were introduced. There was a moment of silence for those members who departed during the past year: Alice Lytle, Florence Slack, Marjorie Griffith, Terry Loos, Regina Hardy, Thomas Papworth, James Papworth and Huguette MacDonald.

2). Reading of the Secretary's report was waived because it was printed in the Equinox. Copies were also available for review.

3). **TREASURERS REPORT:** Sandy MacDonald reported that we have 65 paid members. She also presented for review an LTPA Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2001 and an LTPA Income Statement for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2001. A motion to accept the Treasurers report as given passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

4). Logging-no report

5). **Lake Management-Andy Pickett:** One year ago in his Adirondack Ecology Report, Steve LeMere confirmed that we have the weevil at Lake Titus. Steve will meet again this August with Andy to see if we have the "éxentria" moth and to access samples in his continuing base line study of the quality of lake water. Steve reports that we do not have acid rain water but suggests that we have a more comprehensive water study completed by him. Betsy Suatoni asked if the water had been tested for portability and it has not. Members were reminded that the beavers could create problems in regard to portability. The members voted to continue to contract with Steve LeMere for an annual study but not a long-term study.

While residents in VT, MA and NY are noting reduced milfoil along their shoreline. Our members noted that while weed control appears to be better this year, weed growth continues beyond 5' from the shoreline.

Rick VanDuessen led a group in making bethnic barrier weed mats. These mats have been effective in controlling around docks and boat houses. We can't control milfoil farther out with this method, as weed frames need to be moved to be effective. We can make more frames as there is still material but frames would need to be assembled.

6). **Dam Levels-Tim Mere:** A lengthy discussion assessing value and problems with dam drawdown occurred. While many noted that while drawdown is not without controversy, it has been helpful with dock damage this year. Positive effect on weed control is not clear. Negative effects include bringing rocks to the surface, effecting recreational winter use and causing some fall use boat damage. A decreased number of frogs was also referenced. Discussion regarding the level of the drawdown, 18" or 36" was extensive. Tim Mere stated that he felt continuation of at least 18" must continue to have effective and ecological reduced dock damage. A motion was passed to drawdown 36" for one (1) year with 22 for, 12 against and 3 abstaining.

7). Fishing Report-Mike Bayliss: read an extensive report which suggested doing a netting study in 2005,introduction of large mouth bass and sterile muskelange. Members expressed some concern about swimmers and weed habitat necessary for the stocked fish. There is also concern about increased public access, already provided for by a walk in boat access. Mike will report to Raybrook that members cannot come to a consensus causing a lack of resolve. Any previous study motions will be tabled.

8). Breakfast Walk-Rick VanDuessen and Gordie Warner: Approximately 172 people ate at the Breakfast Walk last year. A profit of \$230 was made thanks to everyone's hard work. This year will be the 50th Anniversary of the Breakfast Walk and the membership voted that there be no fees charged for breakfast. Discussion of purchasing 150 commemorative shirts of different sizes followed. This years date is Saturday, August 4th,raindate Sunday, August 5th. Volunteers are needed-please call Rick.

9). Old Business:No other

10). New Business-Chuck Bryden:

A.Eqinox-Kitty Lee Murtagh thanked Cheryl Casey for her efforts. Extra copies of the Equinox are available.

B.Zoning Regulations

Mary Claire Sherwin, Andy Pickett and Charlie Bryden are presently on the zoning committee. Many members feel that zoning regulations are not being enforced and have called on Trustees to be the adversary with a neighbor. Any discussions regarding adherence should be directed to the new part-time local building officer, Bob Crossman rather than trustees, who do not want to promote ambivalence between members. Some discussion regarding Zoning Reg.6B-'99 occurred.

C.Beach A motion was passed requiring adult supervision for guests at the south beach area which is restricted to LTPA members only.

D.Boating

NY State now has new regulation regarding the use of personal watercraft. Presently you must be 23 to operate personal watercraft without a boat safety course. In 2004 anyone

operating a personal watercraft must have completed a boat safety course. The town of Malone can make regulations and/or restrictions of personal watercraft but will probably look to the LTPA for advice regarding member wishes. Ideas regarding 1) the ability to ban personal watercraft; 2) restricting times of use; 3) limiting the number of pwc; 4) phasing out the number of pwc over a period of years or 5) leaving personal watercraft regulation use as is, were discussed. Many expressed concern that they did not want one's rights infringed on or to take away other's rights to use personal property as they see fit. Opinions discussed included: the idea that all boats have met with objection in the past but we tolerate them because people are responsible; concern about enforcement of regulations as we presently do not do a good job with rules on the books regarding fireworks and late night waterskiing; controlling our own destiny; policing ourselves and what kind of lake do we want this to be?

A motion to table a vote regarding persona watercraft use on Lake Titusl was passed by a 19 to 17 vote. A vote will be taken at the next annual meeting in July '2002.

In an effort to promote responsibility, Patrick Murtaugh will provide a personal

Watercraft boaters course after the Breakfast Walk on August 4th. Joe Chalifoux and Patrick will visit all camps with personal watercraft to discuss the members concern about use and abuse.

11). Election-Mary Claire Sherwin: presented a slate of the following to serve on the Board of Trustees-Jamie Durant and Patrick Murtagh. A motion to elect was passed. Thanks were given to Charlie Bryden and Larry Spaulding who are leaving the board.

12). Boat Gas: is available at Smallman's 12:30-1:00 M_F and all morning Saturday.

13). LTPA Golf Tournament to be held at the Malone Golf Club on Sunday, August 5th. Call Dan Riley for details.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10.

Respectfully submitted,



Bonnie Lytle, Secretary

Lake Titus Protective Association
Annual Meeting
St. Helen's Parish Hall
July 14, 2001

Call To Order

Establish Quorum - 20 *needed*

Introduce New Members - *Sue + Tim Clark (Boyer)*

Moment of Silence - *Late Crump*
Betty Joe Corea

Secretary's Report - *Dan Riley* - ^{1st} *Glenn Black* ^{2nd}

Treasurer's Report - *67 paid members (see attached)* *Suaton*
Betsy Laura V. D.

Committee Reports - *fishing committee - Mike Bayliss*
Bill Smallman

Logging - *finished*

Lake Management -

Benthic barrier

Dam levels

Breakfast Walk - Rick VanDuessen

Old Business

New Business

- Equinox - Kitty Lee Murtagh

- Access -

Election of Trustees - Mary Claire Sherwin

Notes - 5 on each page

TOWN OF MALONE, N. Y. ZONING REGULATIONS

R-S - RESIDENTIAL SEASONAL DISTRICT (APPLIES TO LAKE TITUS)

1. Permitted Primary Uses - Buildings and parcels of land located in the 'R-S' Residential Seasonal District may be constructed, occupied and used for the following purposes:
 - a. With the Particular Restrictions hereinafter Specified for all Shoreline Uses:
One-family dwellings, Two-family dwellings, Camps and seasonal dwellings,
Outdoor recreational developments, Overnight campsites, Public utility facilities
2. Permitted Accessory Uses - The following uses and buildings are considered to be accessory to permitted primary uses and are also permitted when located on land adjoining that on which permitted primary uses are located and when both parcels of land are owned by the same party, or when the accessory use is located in the same building as the permitted primary use:
Garages, Toolsheds, Workshops, Storage buildings, Boat houses, Docks, Privies
3. Minimum Lot Width - shall be 99 feet.
4. Minimum Front Yard Depth - shall be fifty feet from the road or shoreline as is appropriate.
5. Minimum Side and Rear Yard Dimensions - shall be fifteen (15) feet.
Additional Shoreline Restrictions - shall include the following:
 - a. The removal of vegetation, including trees, will be permitted on shorefront lots provided the following standards are met:
 - 1) Within 35 feet of the mean highwater mark not more than 30 percent of the trees in excess of 4 inches diameter at breast height existing at any time may be cut over any ten-year period.
 - 2) Within six feet of the mean high-water mark no vegetation may be removed, except that up to a maximum of 30 percent of the shorefront may be cleared of vegetation on any individual lot, provided that such clearing will not exceed 100 feet. This provision will be adhered to in addition to (1) above.
 - 3) The above cutting provisions will not be deemed to prevent the removal of diseased vegetation or of rotten or damaged trees that present safety hazards.
 - b. The following minimum shoreline frontages will be required in all land use areas for deeded or contractual access to all such lakes, ponds, rivers or streams for five or more lots, parcels or sites or multiple family dwelling units not having separate and distinct ownership of shore frontage:
 - 1) Where five to nine lots or multiple family dwelling units are involved, a total of not less than 99 feet of shoreline frontage will be required when shoreline access is provided.
 - 2) Where more than nine lots or multiple dwelling units are involved a minimum of seven feet of shoreline for each additional lot or multiple dwelling unit will be required when shoreline access is provided.
 - c. The only type building to be allowed on the shoreline shall be one boathouse per lot for sheltering and storage of boats and equipment, not to exceed twenty (20) feet in width or twelve (12) feet in height.
 - d. The minimum setback of any on-site sewage drainage field or seepage pit shall be seventy-five (75) feet provided percolation of the soil is satisfactory (by test) at that distance, otherwise as much farther back as necessary to obtain satisfactory percolation results to accommodate sewage effluent.
7. Wetland Areas - In addition to the foregoing, no use and no alteration of the land, including draining or filling, shall take place until the Notification of Intent for such proposed use or activity has been referred to and approved by the Planning Board.

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TOWN OF MALONE, N. Y. ZONING REGULATIONS

R-S - RESIDENTIAL SEASONAL DISTRICT (APPLIES TO LAKE TITUS)

1. Permitted Primary Uses - Buildings and parcels of land located in the 'R-S' Residential Seasonal District may be constructed, occupied and used for the following purposes:
 - a. With the Particular Restrictions hereinafter Specified for all Shoreline Uses:
One-family dwellings, Two-family dwellings, Camps and seasonal dwellings,
Outdoor recreational developments, Overnight campsites, Public utility facilities
2. Permitted Accessory Uses - The following uses and buildings are considered to be accessory to permitted primary uses and are also permitted when located on land adjoining that on which permitted primary uses are located and when both parcels of land are owned by the same party, or when the accessory use is located in the same building as the permitted primary use:
Garages, Toolsheds, Workshops, Storage buildings, Boat houses, Docks, Privies
3. Minimum Lot Width - shall be 99 feet.
4. Minimum Front Yard Depth - shall be fifty feet from the road or shoreline as is appropriate.
5. Minimum Side and Rear Yard Dimensions - shall be fifteen (15) feet.
6. Additional Shoreline Restrictions - shall include the following:
 - a. The removal of vegetation, including trees, will be permitted on shorefront lots provided the following standards are met:
 - 1) Within 35 feet of the mean highwater mark not more than 30 percent of the trees in excess of 4 inches diameter at breast height existing at any time may be cut over any ten-year period.
 - 2) Within six feet of the mean high-water mark no vegetation may be removed, except that up to a maximum of 30 percent of the shorefront may be cleared of vegetation on any individual lot, provided that such clearing will not exceed 100 feet. This provision will be adhered to in addition to (1) above.
 - 3) The above cutting provisions will not be deemed to prevent the removal of diseased vegetation or of rotten or damaged trees that present safety hazards.
 - b. The following minimum shoreline frontages will be required in all land use areas for deeded or contractual access to all such lakes, ponds, rivers or streams for five or more lots, parcels or sites or multiple family dwelling units not having separate and distinct ownership of shore frontage:
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MIKE CASEY CUSTOM HOMES

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7/14/01 - Secretary:

As I am unable to attend the Annual LTPA meeting, I appoint Gordon Warner as proxy for all votes taken at the meeting.

Enclosed is payment for dues -

Michael Casey

I. vote to ban
or limit personal watercraft
on the lake.

Betsy Swaton

proxy vote 7/14/01

July 14, 2001

Proxy vote on Personal
watercraft + specialty
prop craft is given to
Chas. Bryden at the LTPA
Annual meeting.

Can all personal watercraft
+ specialty prop craft -

Carolyn E. Tulloch

I hereby give my proxy
to vote to Irv Caplan
on all matters coming
before the LT PA annual
meeting of July 14, 2001.

Grace Carkey
July 10, 2001

I hereby give my proxy to Charles Bryden to vote
on all matters coming before the Lake Titus Protective Association annual meeting on
July 14, 2001.

Bob Hudak
(Signed)

7/12/01
(Dated)

I hereby give my proxy to Charles Bryden to vote
on all matters coming before the Lake Titus Protective Association annual meeting on
July 14, 2001.

Elizabeth A. Hardy

(Signed)

July 12, 2001

(Dated)

I hereby give my
proxy to vote to Charles
Bryden on all matters
coming before the
Annual Meeting of
LTPA. as of 7/14/2001
Allen Child

I hereby give my proxy to vote to Carolyn Tullock on all matters coming before the annual meeting on July 14, 2001.

Adrian F. Cheney

Adrian F. Cheney

7/12/01

LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 2001

ASSETS:

Current Assets:

Cash & Cash Equivalents:

Dean Witter Account	\$ 25,674
Fidelity Advisors Fund	37,474
Franklin Templeton Funds	23,170
Franklin Templeton Money Funds	37,606
Key Bank Checking	1,608
Key Bank Savings	926
Key CD's:	3,000
	4,000
	1,000
	<u>4,000</u>

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 138,458

EQUITY:

Opening Balance	\$ 130,055
Net Income	<u>8,403</u>

Total Equity 138,458

TOTAL EQUITY

\$ 138,458

LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
INCOME STATEMENT
Fiscal Year End June 30, 2001

INCOME:

Dividends:

Dean Witter Account	\$ 1,407	
Fidelity Advisors Fund	2,453	
Franklin Templeton Funds	2,157	
Franklin Templeton Money Funds	3,170	
Endowment CD's	554	
Total Dividends	<u>9,741</u>	9,741

Other Income:

Dues	3,496	
Gifts Received	925	
Logging	476	
Miscellaneous	601	
Total Other Income	<u>5,498</u>	5,498

TOTAL INCOME

15,239

EXPENSES:

Insurance	1,089
Taxes - Real Estate	1,753
School	2,132
Mats for Weeds	352
Signage for roads and dam	568
Dues/Memberships	330
Postage	187
Printing	83
Stumpage	30
Bookkeeping	150
Bank Fees	162

TOTAL EXPENSES

6,836

NET INCOME

\$ 8,403

Logging \$ = \$ 90,000

			<u>6/01 Balance</u>
Fidelity	\$ 35,000	7% return	<u>\$ 37,474</u>
Franklin Templeton fund (growth)	\$ 20,000	13.6% return	23,170
Franklin Templeton Money Fund	\$35,000	6% return	<u>37,606</u>
	Made \$ 8,250 on logging money since the beginning.		<u>\$ 98,250</u>

\$ 7,780 for 2000 - 2001 fiscal year.

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING
July 8, 2000
St. Helen's Parish Hall

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:10 by Pres. Charles Bryden. Quarum was established. New camp owners who were present were introduced: the Scott Smiths who bought the Mollett camp and the Glen Blacks who bought the Donahue camp. There was a moment of silence for those members who departed during the past year: Felix Shelley, Evelyn Badger, Polly Crooks Sadler, Earl Smith, Laura Ames, Elizabeth Donovan, Bill Lytle.

2. The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT: With the influx of the logging profits, the board had \$90,000 which they felt could be better placed than in a checking account. \$35,000 was placed in Fidelity Advisers Fund at 4.5 %, \$35,000 in Franklin Templeton Money Fund at 5%, and \$20,000 in Franklin Templeton Fund at 8%. Andy Pickett spoke to the logging activity, noting that we are doing selective cutting and that the operation is essential to our inclusion under the Fisher Act which reaps important tax benefits for us. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given passed.

4. LOGGING COMMITTEE REPORT-Tyler MacDonald: Selective logging was done on the west side of Lake Titus between September and December 1999 producing \$62,000 in profit. An independent forester, Robert McLaughlin, was brought in to oversee the operation. Trees 17" or more were selected for cutting as well as dead or dying trees. The area has not been logged for 15 to 20 years.

Questions from the members included Bruce Santy's observation that 12" cherry trees were taken and that the area is not well cleaned up. He suggested that we look into the availability of federal funds for marking trees and that in the future we have a forester overseeing the project from the beginning. It was also suggested that we let loggers bid on the job. Tyler MacDonald was thanked for his report and for his efforts on this committee.

5. LAKE MANAGEMENT REPORT -Tim Mere: The dam has been open more than usual this year because of the heavy rains. In mid Nov. the dam was opened for a total drawdown of 40" for the winter. The ice went out on April 8.

The issue of lowering the lake was discussed again, the difficulty of getting water to the fire at the Mike Casey camp in Dec. being the first point of concern. Scott Smith, volunteer fireman, spoke about the problems encountered in fighting a fire in a "no safe" zone (Lake Titus falls

into that category), and the problems are many -- time involved in getting the truck out the door, distance to the fire site, getting down the dirt roads (especially in winter), length of hose, proximity of water source, and more. There are many variables. Frank Lytle noted that snowmobiles encounter difficulties and dangers with a drawdown because the ice is softer in unexpected spots due to springs being closer to the surface. Other points of view noted that dock damage seems to be less for the majority of camps with the water lowered, that weed control appears to be better along the shoreline, but milfoil is growing at deeper depths. Pres. Bryden reminded the group that after the initial 3 year period of lake drawdown the strategy was dropped for a year then according to membership vote, resumed for another 3 years. 1999 was the first year of the current 3 year period. The literature reflects that most lake management programs employ drawdown as a part of the management plan.

Another part of the strategy is the laying of benthic barrier. Laura VanDeusen reported on the VanDeusen effort to date. \$500 was allotted last year for matting materials; \$337 has been spent so far. She and Rick put together and laid 1 mat at the south end without much difficulty. There is material to put together 10 frames, and matting is available for 20 mats. They will get the additional framing if there is a call for it. It is not very hard to fasten the matting to the frames. There will be a work party to do this next Sat. at Smallmans at 8:00 am.

6. BREAKFAST WALK - Gorden Warner: Approximately 215 people ate at the Breakfast Walk last year, and we enjoyed one of the best profits on record. Thanks to all who made it work. The breakfast walk this year is Aug. 5, 8:30-11:00am, rain date Aug. 6, 2000.

7. OLD BUSINESS - Chuck Bryden:

A) Adirondack Ecology Report - Andy Pickett: The weevil - the third prong in our 3 prong strategy! On ~~Oct.~~^{August} 12, 1999 a survey of milfoil weed beds done by Andy and Steve LeMere showed that the weevil is here, which, if it thrives, should keep the milfoil down to a dull roar. (In lakes where the weevil is present, there is a cycle of weevil clean out followed by weed recurrence, weevil clean out, etc.) Andy proposed that we allot \$200 per survey to repeat the surveys for the next 2 summers in order to track the weevils progress. M.C. Sherwin proposed augmenting the number of weevils by purchasing from the state, which is experimenting with the weevil elsewhere. Andy favored letting nature take its course. It was agreed that M.C. and Irv Caplan will check on the availability of grant money to augment the number of weevils. A motion to continue the surveys passed.

B) Beach Area Improvements: there were many objections to

changing the overall nature of the beach and picnic area. A motion to allot whatever expenditure is necessary to keep the dock in good repair and to leave the number of picnic tables the same passed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A) LTPA Assets: Pres. Bryden set forth 2 different investment strategies for the membership to discuss and then advise the board on which direction it feels would be wisest to follow. The choices were: to place 100 % of the assets in guaranteed funds OR to place 70% of our assets in moderate risk funds and 30% in guaranteed fixed funds. After lengthy discussion a motion was made to place 70% of our assets in guaranteed fixed funds and 30% in moderate risk funds. The motion passed by a vote of 29 to 4, no abstention.

B) It was announced that a new 911 emergency number is going to be instituted in the near future. For people with party lines, calling this number will not give the operator the exact location of the caller. Currently the emergency number of 483-1211 is what should be used.

C) Boat Launch - Gordy Warner was thanked for spreading gravel there. Funds were approved for making necessary repairs. Chuck raised the issue of camp renters using LTPA property and of boaters not following the rules of boating on the lake. That discussion led to the question of what the boating rules and public access rules/ordinances are. It was agreed the board will clarify these issues and also look into and clarify the public access/tax exempt-status relationship.

D) There are plans to reprint the By-Laws and building codes and have them available to campers hopefully for the Breakfast Walk.

9. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES - Mary Claire Sherwin presented a slate of the following to serve on the Board of Trustees: Bonnie Lytle, Tyler MacDonald, Joel Santy, and Rick VanDeusen, and to serve a second term: Tim Mere. The slate passed unanimously. Chuck Bryden, Andy Pickett and Larry Spaulding have one year to go in their present terms. Sherb House, Gordon Warner, Joe Chalifoux and Huguette MacDonald are leaving the board and were sincerely thanked for their contributions.

10. FISHING REPORT - Mike Bayliss: Mike followed up on his and Bill Smallman's thoughtful and thorough fishing report presented in the Spring Equinox. He proposed that a fishing committee be established and that through it we negotiate with the state to stock the lake with Tiger Muskie, a sterile fish that will not overtake the lake but that will eat the trash fish and will provide good fishing and eating for us. It was suggested that Larry Strait of the state fishery be the contact person at the state level and that Bob Hudak would be a good person for the committee.

ANNUAL MEETING 7/8/00
AGENDA

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Quorum
- 3) Introduction of new members
- 4) Moment of silence for the departed members
- 5) Secretary Report
- 6) Treasurer's Report

7) COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A) Logging Report - Tyler MacDonald
- B) Lake & Dam management - Jim Smallman
- C) Breakfast Walk - Gordon Warner

8) Old Business

- Adirondack Ecologist Report
- Approval for expenditure for work at beach area

9) New Business

Treasurer-

- 911 - Fire Roads - John Kissane
- Boat Launch / Beach Use

10) Elections

11) Adjournment

(10 metal frames available)
(20-30 mats)
Sat. 7/15
8-10 AM - make mats
Smallman's

215
Aug. 5
8:30-11

Weeks
Keep surveying

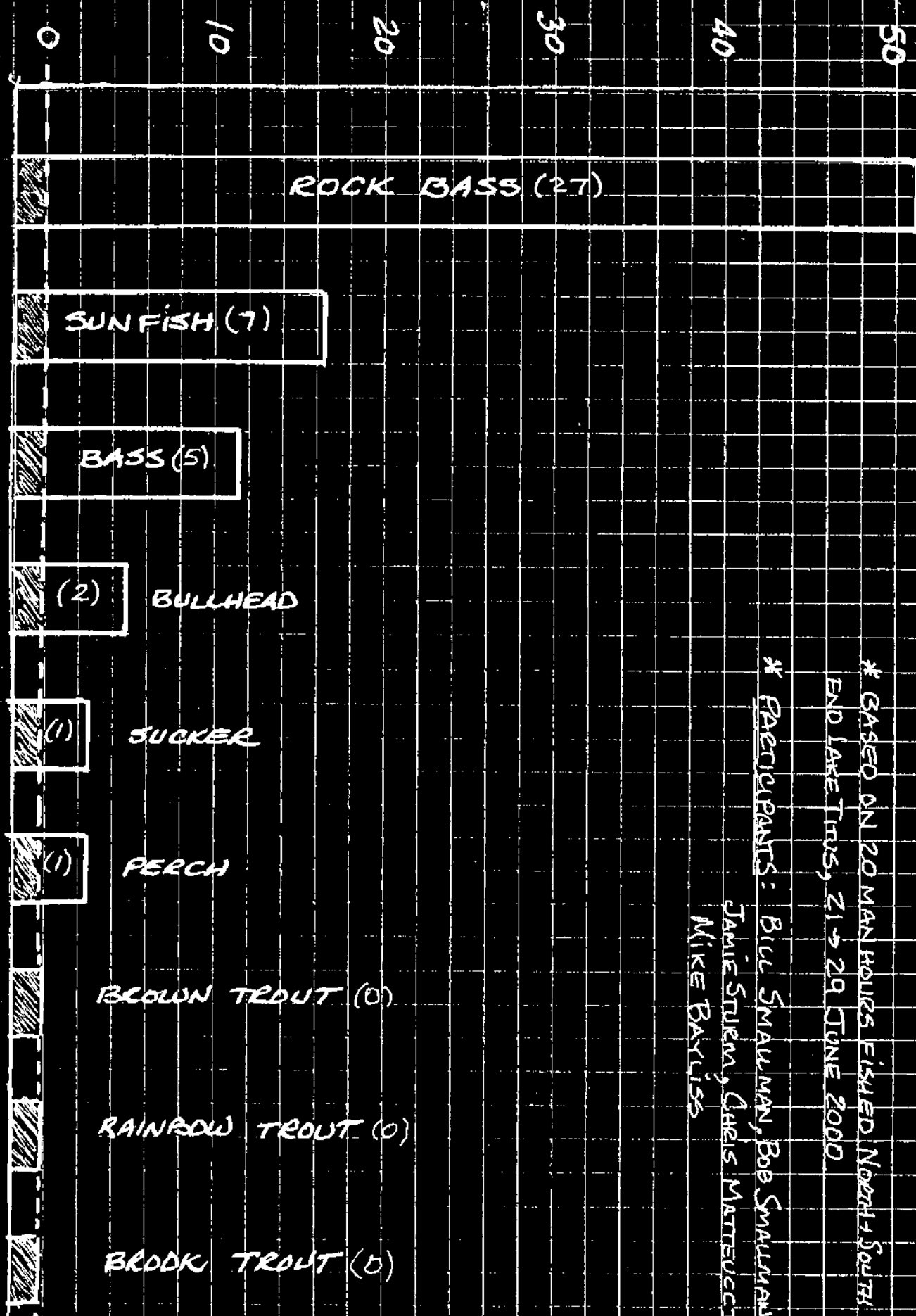
How to invest assets - 29/4
70/30 split
guaranteed moderate risk

Fishing report - Michael Bayless
Al Smith camp

483-1211
until 9/11

AAA

PERCENT % OF CATCH



LAKE TITUS SOLSTICE FISH SAMPLE *

* BASED ON 20 MAN HOURS FISHED NORTH-SOUTH
END LAKE TITUS, 21-29 JUNE 2000

* PARTICIPANTS: BILL SMALLMAN, BOB SMALLMAN,
JAMIE STIEM, CHRIS MATTEUCCI,
MIKE BAYLIS

FISH SPECIES

ANNUAL MEETING 7/10/99

Meeting held at St. Helen's parish hall and called to order at 10:10AM

Quorum established.

New members are:

Mr. & Mrs. Adrian Cheney

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Walker

Moment of silence for past members:

Vivian Sheldrick (Banning camp)

Vi Elliott

Millie Smith

Sarah Connors

Motion to accept secretary report published in the fall Equinox made by Mary Claire Sherwin, seconded by Gerry Nervader.

Treasurer's report attached to this report accepted by Gordon Warner, seconded by Gerry Nervader.

Fishing Committee: report given by J. McCullough is attached to these minutes. General consensus of opinion was to leave the lake alone and not ask for more stocking at this time. There are more bass in the lake now.

Logging Report: We ended up with \$29,882.00 from the cut on the east side of the lake. Discussed was whether we should cut Maple Ridge. The trees would be 17" & over or trees severely damaged. Motion made by Neal MacDonald, seconded by Larry House. Passed unanimously.

Lake & Dam management: Mats placed on the south side & by Smallman's are still in place. Rick VanDeusen volunteered to pick up more mats on Norfolk & Crown point & has a budget of \$500.00 to spend. Becky Durant has a flat bed truck that is available to use to pick up the mats. The motion was made by Lynn Crock that Rick Vandeusen pick up the mats & spend no more than \$500.00, seconded by Dan Riley. Passed Unanimously.

Weed Survey: proposal made by Steve Lamere to do a survey of the lake as to where the weeds are located for \$1909.00. Motion made not to accept the proposal but to ask Steve how much it would cost to tell us if we have the weevill in the lake now. Seconded by mary Clair Sherwin. Ayes take it. Inay & 3 abstained.

Water Analysis: Andy Pickett made a motion to accept to have our water tested. Also suggested we also have it checked for achillea and giardia. Seconded by Huguetta MacDonald. Passed unanimously.

Breakfast Walk: profit of \$600 last year. Gordon Warner will chair the Breakfast walk again this year.

Historical Committee: nothing to report.

Trails Committee: Rick VanDeusen reports that the Immortelle trail is clear. Saturday 7/17 was set aside to clean up Branch Brook below the dam.

Membership Committee: We have 83 paid up members and 22 associate members for a total of 105. We are aiming for 110 members next year. It was suggested a list of who is a member of the L.T.P.A. be published in the Equinox. Laura Vandeußen is the new chairwoman of the committee.

Editor of the Equinox: Theresa Warner has resigned from the Equinox. Kitty Lee Murtagh wrote a letter stating she would like to resume being Editor providing Cheryl Casey stays on. She also stated several conditions which we were to consider. The letter is attached to this report. Andy Pickett made a motion that we accept Kitty Lee as the new Editor seconded by Gerry Nervader. Passed Unanimously.

Directors & Officers Error & Omission Policy: Steve & Gordon Todd were present to answer questions regarding this policy. The present liability policy does not cover the trustees, officers volunteers etc. just the LTPA. Motion made by Bill Klettke to buy a new policy seconded by Andy Pickett.

Personal Water crafts issues & concerns: a letter was read by Larry House addressed to the County legislators regarding personal water crafts. The letter is also attached to this report. Motion made by Larry House to send the letter, seconded by Ken McCullough. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer needs a break: a suggestion was made by the Board of trustees to Eleanor Pulsifer for \$250.00 as a bookkeeper over seen by Larry Spaulding. Larry agrees to do this. Rick Vandeußen made the motion seconded by Larry Spaulding.

Dan Riley has donated a book called "An Adirondack Affair" for the benefit of the LTPA. Books to be sold for \$5.00.

A weed cutter donated by Clint Watson for anyone to use will be housed by Gordon Warner. The weed cutter runs off a battery.

Motion was made to adjourn by Larry House, seconded by Neal MacDonald at 1240pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Huguette MacDonald

**LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX # 213
MALONE, N. Y. 12953**

July 10, 1999

Franklin County Legislature
County office building
Malone, N. Y. 12953

Att: All Legislators:

Due to the proliferation of Personal Watercraft (PWC), along with other motorboats, it is becoming apparent that N Y State boating requirements are not being followed in many cases. This new type watercraft, (Seadoo, etc) is classed as a boat and is required to be registered. Young operators, up to age 18, are required to take the young boatmen's safety course. In some cases, they are being operated in a dangerous manner, with apparent disregard for other boaters. Occasional use during the weekends is understandable but some operate constantly, disturbing the peace and quiet that campers are entitled to.

A recent article in the Plattsburgh Press, describes an accident involving PWCs on Lower Chateaugay Lake, causing injury and thankfully, no death. Several states, Washington, California, Texas, to name a few, have already passed laws banning them in some cases and controlling their use in others.

It is our request that the Franklin County Legislature reinstate the Sherrif's Patrol. This can be done relatively inexpensively. A patrol could launch with a PWC on a lake and advise boaters as to the regulations. This would be a warning only, to be followed up in the future for compliance. Please give this serious consideration before the problem gets worse.

Sincerely,

Lake Titus Protective Assn

Personal-injury accident
BELLMONT — A 13-year-old Mal-
one boy suffered a broken ankle Satur-
day when the personal watercraft he
was using was struck by another rider.

Matthew J. Lavoie was riding north
on Lower Chateaugay Lake about 3:40
p.m. when he failed to see a second rid-
er, Robert J. Lavoie, 42 of Malone, Mal-
one-based State Police said.

Matthew swerved to avoid the other
rider, but was struck by the other craft.
It is not known if the two are related.

Press Repub
7-5-99

Report of the Fishing Committee
to the Trustees
Lake Titus Protective Association
July, 1999

In June, 1999, contact was made with Rich Preall, Fisheries Biologist for DEC at Region 5 in Raybrook, to inquire about having the lake stocked. Mr. Preall confirmed that in 1993, DEC did stock the lake with 576 largemouth bass, ranging in size from 4" to 16", and averaging 8". The bass were taken from Lake Colby as part of their population control program.

Mr. Preall stated that additional stocking could be done if it is felt that the bass have not adequately established themselves. He said that he and his department head would make an informal study of the lake sometime this summer (by dropping in their lines some evening) to assess the bass population.

The committee asks the following questions of the LTPA membership: Are you catching any fish these days? Is great bass fishing in Lake Titus a closely held secret? Or has everyone stopped fishing since the trout died out so many years ago?

As part of the committee's intensive research into the fishing potential on the lake, one member broke a 30-year stint of non-fishing and wet a plastic worm in late June. The results were encouraging—two 6"-8" largemouths landed in 2 hours. Further research on July 4 yielded a 12 1/4" largemouth. Imagine what an experienced bass-master may yield.

Mr. Preall said that if additional stocking is desired, the Association should send a letter of request to Raybrook, attention Larry Strait, Fisheries Division. Mr. Preall also confirmed that LTPA is on record as having no objection to the State's developing a public access boat launch at the lake, and that the fact that the State has not yet constructed the access is not an impediment to Lake Titus' being stocked. For several years now, there has been a \$50,000 line item in the DEC budget to construct the access, and so far, it gets perennially struck off.

As a sidenote to the conversation with Mr. Preall, he told about a native species of moth which is natural agent against Eurasian milfoil. The moth, *Acentria emphemerella*, is aquatic, with only the males emerging periodically from the water. The caterpillars stay underwater, eating the milfoil, and the wingless females come to the surface only for mating. The moth has been observed at Lake Colby. The male moth reportedly is white. We should keep watch for a rising up of white moths from our weedbeds—maybe we already have this natural control on board. There are many internet sites available with further information—search for "*Acentria emphemerella*" in Yahoo or other web browser.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Berry & Jeanne McCullough

June 16, 1999

Dear Sherb,

How are you? Hope you and your family have been enjoying the wonderful weather we've been having. Being a bit dry is worrisome, though.

The reason for this note is to let you know that I am no longer going to be doing the Equinox. It's time for me to move on to other things. Cheryl may or may not continue with it. She hasn't decided just yet. The spring edition is small and I've included the dues envelopes, as usual.

It's been great working with you as President of LTPA. Thanks for the note about membership being up, even though I had nothing to do with that. The Membership Committee Chairperson hat is another responsibility I am leaving behind.

By the way, the day that you and George stopped in, Gordon and I forgot to tell you how much we appreciated the Ducks Unlimited Calendar. It's gorgeous. Thank you!

Hope we get to see you and Amy this summer. Take care.

Sincerely,

Theresa

KATHRYN B. MURTAGH

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(518) 483-7270 Camp

29 June 1999

Sherb House, President
Lake Titus Protective Association

Dear Sherb,

Pursuant to our telephone conversation regarding the resignation of Theresa Warner as Editor of the Equinox, please be advised that I would be willing to resume the duties as Editor of the Equinox subject to the following conditions:

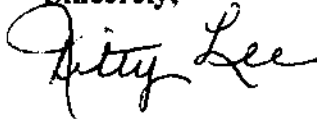
1. That Cheryl Casey stay on in the capacity she feels comfortable with, either as co-editor, computer operator, or whatever she wants to do.
2. That only one edition of the Equinox be printed annually subject to the below listed conditions:
 - A. That the publication be on or before June 15th of each year, provided that the Trustees provide the Editor(s) with the following documents:
 1. The LTPA Secretary shall mail to the Editor(s) of the Equinox a copy of the Minutes taken at each Trustees' meeting throughout the year;
 2. The LTPA Secretary shall mail a copy of the Minutes for each Annual Meeting to the Editor(s) of the Equinox;
 3. The LTPA Secretary shall inform the Editor(s) of the Equinox of any change of address for LTPA members and keep the mailing list current. The Secretary and Treasurer shall compile a list of both summer and winter addresses and provide same to the Editor(s) of the Equinox;
 4. The President of the LTPA shall mail a President's Report on the year's activities to the Editor(s) of the Equinox by June 5th of each year;
 5. The Treasurer of the LTPA shall pay for printing the Equinox and all enclosures pertinent to the LTPA. Payment shall be made directly to the printer. The Treasurer of the LTPA shall mail a reimbursement check for postage to the Editor(s) of the Equinox contingent upon a receipt from the Post Office for same;
 3. The Editor(s) of the Equinox shall determine the content and the length of the Equinox without interference from the LTPA. Constructive criticism is welcome.

4. The members of the LTPA agree to submit news either by phone or by mail to the Editor(s), together with suggestions of what they would like to read in the Equinox.

If these terms and conditions are acceptable, and if Cheryl agrees to stay on, then I will be willing to take over the Equinox once again, with the approval of your general membership. Should someone else step forward with less demands and the membership feels more comfortable giving the job to someone else, that is fine with me.

The above conditions are not subject to compromise. I was Editor of the Equinox for 15 years and I will not do it again unless my conditions are acceptable to the Trustees and general membership of the LTPA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kitty Lee".

Kitty Lee Murtagh

L.T.P.A. ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 11, 1998 @ 1000

Meeting held at St Helen's parish hall called to order by Sherb House at 10000.

A quorum was established.

New Owners:

Jim Benware
Rick & Laura Van Deusen - Miramonte Lodge
DR's Anderson - Cardinal Home
Jamie Durant - Dr. Crowner's camp

Moment of silence for deceased members:

Mrs. Guerin - Maggie Cardinal's mother
Ernie Dixson - Camp Niagara
Elger Warner - Gordon's father
Gerry Bennett - friend of Chuck Hicks

Secretary report read & approved. Treasurer's report read & approved.

Steve LaMere gave an in-depth report and answered many questions. A copy of that report is available from Sherb House.

Logging report:

Neal MacDonald reported on a meeting he attended at Paul Smith's college regarding the effect of the ice storm on the trees. Our area was one of the hardest hit. Most trees will survive

Breakfast Walk:

Served 151 people last year. Took in \$565.50 less supplies \$363.20 leaves us a total of \$202.30. Chairmen for this year are Gordon Warner & John Mahoney. The Breakfast Walk will be held on 8/1/98 rain date 8/2/98 starting at 8:30 Am. Neal MacDonald will again provide taxi service.

No Historical committee report or a zoning committee report.

Trails:

Saturday 7/18/98 at 2:00 PM will be clean up Immortelle trail day, followed by a barbecue at VanDuesen's

A committee was formed to look into the possibility of public access and stocking the lake. On the committee will be Jeanne McCullough, Frank Lytle & Ron Berry.

Dam Control:

Maintenance of the dam will be the responsibility of Jim Smallman & Tim Mere . Jim or Tim will address any questions or concerns regarding the dam. The trustees will make the final decisions.

Dues:

Theresa Warner & Sherb House will start a committee to investigate increasing the membership of the L.T. P.A.. Also on the committee are Dan Riley and Betsy Sautoni. *Larry Spaulding*

A motion was made by Lynn Crock to draft a letter to Steve LaMere giving us a step by step proposal as to what should be done to the lake as a result of his findings. *Letter will be sent by Sherb House*

An amendment to the by-laws was made by Sherb House and seconded by Joe Chalifoux and was passed. The amendment is attached to this report.

Betsy Sautoni will write a summary regarding Steve's report and distribute it to all campers.

Mere
Tim ~~LaMere~~ was nominated as a trustee to replace Al Smith. This was unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Huguette MacDonald

Huguette MacDonald

7/11/98 - Annual Meeting

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

(A) WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (NEED NAMES)

(B) ESTABLISH QUORUM - NEED 20% OF PRESENT MEMBERSHIP (IS PRESENT MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERED PAID UP TO FYE98 WHICH EXPIRED 5/31/98 OR FYE 99 WHICH STARTED 6/1/98) (NEED TO KNOW TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS AS DEFINED BY THE ABOVE)

THE QUORUM WILL BE A SHOW OF HANDS (ONE PER MEMBER CAMP INCLUDING NON VOTING ASSOCIATE MEMBERS)

(C) A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THOSE DEPARTED (NEED NAMES)

2. SECRETARIES REPORT - MINUTES OF LAST YEARS REG. MEETING

3. TREASURERS' REPORT

4. PRESIDENTS REPORT (COPY OF INSERTION IN EQUINOX 98)

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS -

(A) LOOKING COMMITTEE - NEAL MARDONALD

(B) LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - JIM SMALLMAN

AND STEVE LAMERE - STEVE WILL GIVE A 15 MIN.

PRESENTATION WITH 15 MIN. OF Q & A

QUESTION FOR JIM + STEVE - ARE THERE \$

AVAILABLE IN FORM OF GRANTS FOR CONTINUATION OF OUR LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS - \$

(C) BREAKFAST WALK - 150 SERVED - INCOME \$65⁵⁰
EXPENSES (SUPPLIES + FOOD) \$363³⁰ - PROFIT \$292³⁰

NEW CO. CHAIRS - GORDY WARNER AND JOHN HANENY

NEAL'S TAXI SERVICE STILL OPERATING -

(D) HISTORICAL COMMITTEE - LARRY HOUSE

(E) ZONING COMMITTEE - STEVE GARDY

(F) TRAILS COMMITTEE - JIM SMALLMAN

⑥ OLD BUSINESS - NO TRESPASSING, NO SWIMMING SIGNS IN PLACE ON BOTH SIDES OF DAM - NEED NO TRESPASSING SIGN AT HEAD OF ROAD #1 - (TIM MERE) ETC.

⑦ NEW BUSINESS - ^{SEE NOTE BELOW} JIM + TIM APPOINTED RESPONSIBLE FOR DAM CONTROL AND LAKE LEVEL MAINTENANCE - JIM'S SUGGESTION \$100⁰⁰/YEAR TO BE SPLIT BY HE + TIM - NEED UPDATED MEMBERSHIP LIST TO INCLUDE PAID / PAID PREVIOUSLY BUT NOT CURRENT / REGULAR AND ASSOCIATE / NEW MEMBERS NEVER ON THE LIST. ESTABLISH A MEMBERSHIP + DUES COMMITTEE AGAIN

⑧ ELECTION OF TRUSTEE TIM MERE NOMINATED TO REPLACE AL SMITH

⑨ ADJOURNMENT

⑩ TRUSTEES MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ADJOURN. - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

NEED VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO BY LAWS:

Management

ARTICLE II

SECTION 2 - THE TRUSTEES SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS WITH FOUR ^{ADD} TRUSTEES ELECTED EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL MEETING (UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES. EXAMPLE "ONLY ONE TO BE REPLACED THIS YEAR 1998" - BACK TO NORMAL IN YR 2000

SECTION 4 - NO TRUSTEES WILL SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TWO YEAR TERMS UNLESS REPLACING THE TERM OF AN UNEXPIRED POSITION - ALSO EXCEPTED WOULD BE THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER WHOSE TERM WILL BE INDETERMINATE AND AT THE DISCRETION OF THE REMAINING BOARD OF 4 TRUSTEES - WHEN THE OFFICERS ARE DECIDED AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING.

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 12, 1997

St Helen's Church Hall
Fayette Road

The meeting was brought to order by President Jim Smallman at 4:00 with a call for silence in memory of our departed members: Bill Carpenter, Janie Kissane, and Helen Nevader.

The presence of quorum was established. A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes, as they had been printed in the Equinox, passed. Charlie Bryden gave the Treasurers Report for Andy Pickett. Highlights: Total income was \$8922, total expenses \$8962, total assets \$37,422. The income and expense picture compares very favorably with the last two fiscal years. There was some discussion re the low growth of the Dean Witter fund and a question re the net income of the breakfast walk which does not agree with the breakfast walk chairman's figures. Charlie reported that Andy feels that the (aprox.) \$12,000 we have invested in very low yield CDs be reinvested in a more aggressive instrument. After some discussion it was the consensus of the membership that the trustees do this in a timely way. The treasurer's report is attached.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jim reported that Steve Lemere has a lengthy report to give the membership, and another date to hear that will be posted at the breakfast walk. He turned the meeting over to Al Hardy who shared with the group the information he has gleaned from many conversations with both the VT and NY Departments of Environmental Conservation and his research into the experiences of Lake Bomaseen and Lake St. Catherine in VT. The full report is attached. In short, he covered the effects of Eurasian Milfoil, the results, costs and practicality of big scale harvesting, of hydroraking, of using bottom barriers, herbicides, diver suction, lowering lake levels, and the status of the bolweevil experimentation. He strongly recommended, based on other lakes' experiences and cost factors, that

1. we act quickly and not allow ourselves to get lax in our fight against the milfoil
2. we lower the lake level but not every year (to allow for the survival of species natural to the lake)
3. we buy and lay bottom barriers available through CMS Industries which are easy to handle and can be moved around every 2-3 weeks (phone # 800-457-2526 or 908-753-6292; contact Wayne Behrsin). The matting comes in 7 foot widths and can be purchased at any length for 36¢ of 45¢ per sq. ft. depending on the thickness. It needs to have small holes punched in it to allow for the release of gasses as

the weeds die under it. This barrier was suggested by Jim Sutherland of the NY DEC and has been used successfully on Lake George.

4. we use a variety of techniques depending on the density of the milfoil.

After discussion and exploration of questions, Frank Lytle moved that we spend up to \$2000 to buy and lay the bottom barrier from CMS Industries. It was suggested that we start the barrier at the south end first since the current runs north. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jimmy introduced Ralph Child who proposed that the LTPA raise the level of the dam 1-2 inches so that in periods of drought water could be let out for irrigation purposes. He would cover the cost of adding a board to the dam. Points raised in the discussion that followed revealed that boathouses by the dam would find their floors under water if the lake is raised. Charlie Bryden suggested that Ralph work with the trustees to arrive at a solution that would involve lowering the lake by 1 inch in times of need, keeping in mind the risk of fish kill if the lake is lowered any more than that.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Logging: Neal MacDonald reported that Mr. Winfred Decker has put a new road on the east side in the area behind Chalifoux's to cut the Kozak track and has indicated interest in cutting our land for us. There was some apprehension re Mr. Decker's activities, so we (LTPA) hired a surveyer to flag our land. The DEC strongly recommends we hire a manager to oversee any cutting he might do for us so there be no clear cutting and the land be cleaned up afterward. It was further suggested that we make sure there is a written agreement insuring the road used be turned over to the LTPA at the end of any logging project. Neal will keep a close eye on all of this.

Trails and Hiking:

Neal MacDonald and Bruce Barker have done the Mt. Immortelle trail. The Elephant's Head trail is lost; Neal has a route in mind for rebuilding it that would utilize already existing roads and trails. They will continue their work. Joe Chalifoux volunteered to help, as did several others present.

Breakfast Walk:

Sherb House reported a nice profit in 1996 and promises good weather again this year. He and co-chair Gordon Warner need a few more potato cooks and a couple more young people to

park boats. He is counting on everyone who worked last year to assume their jobs again this year unless he hears otherwise from them. New volunteers call Sherb or Gordon. The walk starts 1/2 hour earlier, at 8:30, this year. Neal MacDonald will run his shuttle again.

History Committee:

Larry House reported that he is waiting to get materials from Laura Allen and Bill Lytle. He urged people to continue to write up any history they have and submit it to the Equinox.

Annual Picnic:

Huguette MacDonald announced that the picnic will be held over Labor Day weekend Saturday. The cooking will start around 5:00. This year we will have croquet and a bon fire. Let her know if you want to help in any way.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lake Titus sale items now include golf shirts as well as all the items sold last year. Make checks out directly to Huguette or to cash.
2. An "Absolutely No Swimming" sign should be put up at the dam as well as a "No Trespassing" sign. It was suggested we use the legal "POSTED" pre-printed signs. Tim Mere volunteered to make these signs.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Maryclaire Sherwin presented the following slate for trustee positions: Huguette MacDonald and Andy Pickett to start a second term and Charlie Bryden and Larry Spalding to begin a first term. A unanimous vote was cast. Jim Smallman and Betsy Suatoni are going off the board.
2. It was suggested that the trustees explore changing the by-laws to allow for the possibility of the offices of secretary and treasurer to be filled by either appointed members of the LTPA or by trustees elected by their co trustees.

Jim Smallman expressed thanks to Betsy Suatoni, outgoing trustee, for her years of service and to Cheryl Casey and Teresa Warner for their excellent production of the Equinox. A straw vote indicated the membership was very happy with publication twice a year.

Huguette MacDonald expressed deep gratitude to Jim Smallman for his years of service and leadership. There was a large round of applause for Jim.

Respectively submitted,

Betsy Suatoni, Secretary

Betsy Suatoni

7/97

EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL CONTROL

41 LAKES WITH MILFOIL IN VERMONT

THE PROBLEM

Milfoil removes nutrients from the sediment. When plants die they release phosphorus to the water column increasing available phosphorus to plants and algae thereby increasing the rate of eutrophication.

METHODS OF MILFOIL CONTROL

1. **Large mechanical harvesting**
Town purchase based on motor boat registration
Lake St. Catherine
Lake Bomasseen - Jim Lemce 802-273-2703 - Harvesting began in 1975, this year is the first year harvesting will not be done. They had gone from one harvester to four harvesters and now have turned the control efforts over to the DEC because of poor results. Currently a fungus seems to be causing a decline in Milfoil, the identification of which is being undertaken.
2. **Hydroraking** - removes roots, greater impact on weed control
Lake St. Catherine - Larry Picket 802-645-0462
Gerry Smith - Ag Control Tech
Northborough, MA 508-393-8846
Chan Smith hydroraker operator 508-476-7089
3. **Bottom Barrier** - very effective for weed control
Gerry Smith sells
Jim Sutherland NY DEC- used on Lake George successfully
- Palco (PVC) liner used in hazardous sites to line
- easy to install, sheets come in 7 ft. widths by desired length, need to cut small holes to allow gas to escape as weeds decompose
- durable 5-6 years
- 36¢/sq. ft. 20 mil. thickness, 45¢/sq. ft. 30 mil. thick
- good results in 2-3 weeks, move to another area, can cover large area quickly
- check adjacent areas for Milfoil as it will repopulate treated areas quicker than native plants
4. **Diver Suction**
- harvesting device on barge with collection hose (diver operated), can be quite successful, quite labor intensive and expensive, good after benthic barrier
5. **Weevil** - experimental

7' x 100'
700 sq ft
x .36
240.00

Dr. ALBERT S. HARDY

*CMS Industries
PA. Co. 112
Stanton, CA
90680*

6. **Herbicides - permit not issued**
Garland 3A (not 24D) - experimental use permit only
very specific for Milfoil, very promising for future control
Sonar - not specific for Milfoil, kills Coontail and elodea,
safe, can not be used if lake used for drinking water
7. **Lower lake level**
1988 Lake Bomoseen
killed other plants
every couple of years
it is effective, 88% reduction in milfoil
8. **Hand harvesting**
- pick individual plants using mesh bags, good for low density

Benthic Barrier

- Wayne Bechasin

- CMS industries

800-457-2526

Behrsin

908-753-6292

*grommet - brass ring
kit - under \$15*

The Recommendations

a) Milfoil is a fast growing plant that will :

- ruin the water quality in a small lake quickly (reducing the variety of plant and animal life)
- make recreational use impossible (swimming, boating, fishing, and birding)
- cause the premature death of a lake through the enhanced rate of eutrophication
- reduce property values.

b) act now while milfoil is contained to the shallow water areas in specific locals, some of which still in low to medium density .

c) for now the most cost effective and least damaging method is the bottom barrier endorsed by both VT & NY DEC

d) lowering the water level is effective and inexpensive and can be of use while other methods are being implemented, monitoring the impact on other plant life is important.

e) the best approach may be to use a variety of techniques that address all densities of growth and complement each other such as bottom barriers in front of docks and areas of med. to high density, hydroraking of areas of med to high density away from the shoreline, and diver harvesting of residual areas of low density.

Consultants: Jim Sutherland DEC NY

*phone - 510 457 0670
813-457-0628
Vermont DEC*

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
JULY 13, 1996
AT UPPER LODGE, TITUS MT SKI AREA
FAYETTE ROAD**

3:00 Social

4:00-6:00 meeting

AGENDA

Moment of Silence for departed members.

1. Call to order (ascertain presence of quorum: 20 % in person or by proxy of dues paid members; five trustees)
2. Minutes of previous meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report
4. President's Report
5. Committee Reports:
 - A. Logging - Neal
 - B. Lake Management Jimmy
 - C. Breakfast Walk 1602 Sherb
 - D. Hiking and Trails - Bruce
 - F. Historical - Jimmy (Laura)
6. Old Business : Zoning - Steve
7. New Business : Recognition of K.L.
8. Election of New Trustees
 - A. Report of Nominating Committee
 - B. Nominations from the Floor
 - C. Vote of membership
9. Adjournment

LTPA ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 8, 1996

UPPER LODGE, TITUS MOUNTAIN

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 by President Jimmy Smallman. The presence of quorum was established. There was a moment of silence for the members who have departed during the past year: Fredericka Allen, John Boynton, Bertha Burke, Phyllis Rust Crowner, Warren Crowner, Norris Howard, Timmie Slack, and Lillian Smith.

The minutes of last year's meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and passed.

The Treasurer's report was given by Andy Pickett, a summary of which is attached. Andy noted the sadness with which he assumed the responsibilities of treasurer and with what enthusiasm Norris Howard served in that capacity.

In the operating budget, total income (in round figures) from July 1995-June 1996 was \$5834. Total expenses were \$8191. We have a deficit of \$2057. It was Andy's opinion that without the heavy water testing expenses we have been running for the past 3 years, we are running just about even and are in pretty good shape. Our total amount in all funds is \$37,206. A motion to approve the report was passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Logging Committee: Neal MacDonald reported that the trees are growing but that Tom Garland thinks it is premature to log them now. Bruce Santy expressed concern with the process in the past and suggested that we send Tom Garland back to the East side. After some discussion it was decided that the trustees will go back through the minutes for details of the original agreement with Tom and talk to him.

Lake Management: Jimmy reported that Steve LeMere was unable to be present for this meeting to give a summary of his final report due to a milfoil explosion at Mt. View. He will be on the lake next week and will report to the trustees.

Two 10 foot mats were laid in Aug. 1995 in the areas of the south beach and the north channel. They were moved in Sept and again on July 7, 1996. There was no milfoil where the mats had been laid. Steve reported to Jimmy that there are new compounds coming out that are specific to milfoil and not dangerous to people or wildlife. The discussion that followed brought out the following points:

* It is important to have a benchmark from which to measure the growth or decrease and the movement of the milfoil.

* It would be a good idea to contact our legislators again. There may be money vis a vis the environmental package and accompanying dollars the governor is proposing.

* We might seek out other lakes to do some co-operative proposal for money.

* The weevil is in 4/5 of Vermont lakes and is being used in Massachusetts also. The problem is in getting the NY DEC to become interested in the weevil as a possible solution to the milfoil problem.

* The draw down effect on the milfoil will not be able to be seen until late August. The other weeds don't appear to have been effected.

Bruce Santy brought up the problem of people changing the position of the locks on the dam. Neal MacDonald and Jimmy have bought bars to secure the locks, a move they feel confident will eliminate the problem. After various opinions were expressed, it was agreed that this was not a good year in which to draw a conclusion regarding the effectiveness of the draw down, and further, that one year is not long enough to test any one course of action. A MOTION WAS MADE AND PASSED TO DROP THE LAKE DOWN 42 INCHES STARTING NOVEMBER 15 AND TO FILL IT BACK IN AFTER THE ICE IS OUT, FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD, 1995 BEING YEAR ONE, AND TO INSTALL THE BARS TO KEEP THE LOCKS IN PLACE.

Zoning Committee: Steve Hardy gave a comprehensive report based on his inquires to officials in Malone and in neighboring communities. The full report is attached. Highlights include:

* Hal Taylor, Zoning Officer, thought that a moratorium could be established during the period of time that zoning changes are being discussed.

* The procedure for changing zoning is that the LTPA makes recommendations to the Planning Board and the Zoning Officer who, if they are persuaded, take the recommendations to the Town Board. There is then a public hearing after which the Town Board votes on the recommendations.

* There is a 400 foot strip around the perimeter of the lake that is zoned R-S (residential seasonal).

* We need to define what we want very clearly, and be clear about what commercial operations we want around the lake.

* We could attempt to expand the R-S district or perhaps preferably limit commercial activity through it.

* Issues that need to be carefully thought through are septic systems (engineered and tested), mandatory testing of septic systems, land clearing, docks, colors of camps, materials used, heights, widths, energy consumption considerations (such as % of glass used in new construction).

Steve recommended the following:

1) that we establish an LTPA committee to review building permits with Hal Taylor,

- 2) that the LTPA acquire property as it comes up for sale to the best of our ability.
- 3) that we move quickly and efficiently with a lot of people involved to achieve our desired changes in the codes..

In ending his report, Steve asked people to join his committee.

Breakfast Walk: Sherb House reported that we took the 8 hour window of good weather and had a very successful breakfast walk (1995). 170 breakfasts were served bringing in \$742.75 and earning a profit of \$273.75. This year the date is Aug. 3. A ferry service is being offered by Neal MacDonald.

Trails: Jimmy reported that Burce Barker and Ed Zysick are willing to continue to work on the trails. We will clean up the Mt. Immortelle trail and continue work on Elephants Head.

Historical Committee: Laura Allen reported that the tapes that we have been looking for are registered with the county and the House of History, and she will see if she can find them. The tapes have never been heard because of the agreement made with the people who were recorded.

Larry House made note of the fact that Laura Allen has been on the lake since 1911. She was given a resounding round of applause.

Larry also indicated a willingness and was thereupon appointed LTPA Historian. We know that there are pieces of history and interest scattered here and there, so if anyone has any information of that nature, please come forth to Larry House. The whereabouts of the secretary's book, for example, is unknown.

NEW BUSINESS:

Huguette MacDonald presented Lake Titus sweat shirts, tee shirts, hats, post cards and booklets with Lake Titus history for sale. The prices for the items were \$25, \$12.50, \$10, 25¢, and \$2 respectively.

Jimmy Smallman read a proclamation (attached) recognizing the tremendous contribution Kitty Lee Badger Murtagh has made over the years as editor of the Equinox.

The renewed annual picnic is scheduled for Aug. 31.

Maryclaire Sherwin presented the nominating committee's slate for trustee positions as follows:

Joe Chalifoux	first term
Al Smith	second term
Sherb House	first term
Gordon Warner	first term

The slate was moved and passed unanimously.

Notes:

- * Thank you to the Lloyds for the use of the lodge. Also, they wish it known that they have equipment for people who need big jobs done.
- * Get signs "No Trespassing" down by the boathouses and dam area.
- * post LTPA officers at the Breakfast Walk
- * Bob Hudak is looking into the restocking question.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00.

Respectively submitted,

Betsy Suatoni

Betsy Suatoni, Secretary

LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

TITUS MT SKI AREA UPPER LODGE

JULY 8, 1995

Trustees Present: Jim Smallman, Pres.; Maryclaire Sherwin, V.Pres.; Betsy Suatoni, Sec.; Norris Howard, Treas.; Huguette MacDonald, and Al Smith.

Absent: Tammy Paumier, John Gillette

Jim Smallman called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence in memory of members departed during the past year: Jean Martin, Ed Iooss,

The minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved.

Norris Howard gave the treasurer's report, explaining the systems for getting income and noting that dues alone cannot nearly match our expenses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Logging committee: Huguette reported for Neal, reiterating what we were told last year. We must wait for re-growth to occur on the West side of the lake, and Tom Garland finds to too dangerous to log our property on the East side of the lake. His equipment can't get to the area safely. Bill Lytle suggested that we do a little lumbering (a few acres) on Maple Hill to keep our status quo with the Fisher Act. The last cutting done there was in 1983 or 84. Andy Pickett assured the group that we can show the town of Malone that we do have a lumbering management plan and that we are being responsible in not cutting too soon; therefore, we need not fear the loss of our status with the Fisher Act. Regarding the East side land, it was noted that Niagara Mohawk has widened the access road to those lands; however Tom would need permission from individuals to cross their land, and that would not be given.

Lake Management Committee: This committee, being made up of people who do not live in the area or spend a lot of time at the lake, has not been active. Andy Pickett reported that he is in contact with Dr. S. Sheldon and the aquatic weevil program is going very well in Vermont. The weevil has moved into Massachusetts. Holly Crossin is being contacted, and Andy is hopeful that we can get the weevil. The problem

will be one of convincing the NY DEC to allow the weevil's entrance into the state.

Steve LeMere is in the second year of his 3 year study. There was an initial problem requiring ^{12/12} release the paper company from any liability on the lake. We will start to lay the barrier matting next week and continue to lay it throughout the summer.

It is still very important that we collect milfoil cuttings that float around the lake and get them well up onto land. Also, raking is proving effective.

Bill Lytle noted that a certain species of shad is being used in fresh water lakes in Florida very effectively. Someone else noted that the expense of that approach is prohibitive. It was also noted that the channel is a particularly bad area.

Regarding the planned draw down in the Fall, 10 feet of draw down is needed to have any effect on the milfoil. Al Smith is in contact with a dewatering company. A suction, a diesel pump to start, and 10 " pipe, such as is used for irrigation, could get us going, and some of these items may be able to be borrowed from our neighboring farms. The questions of actual cost, how long will the draw down have to be in effect, and will there be any recharge problem will be looked into and satisfactorily answered before any action is taken. It was agreed, after discussion, that we should do a 4 to 6 foot draw down this Fall, see its effect, and study the siphoned draw down thoroughly before doing it. The trustees will name a committee to map the draw down.

The issue of the slalom course came up, and the following points were made: we don't have any control over the granting of permits, so why don't we look into what can be done to control the use of boats in that area. The DEC says they never issued a permit, but Chuck Bryden has seen the permit that was issued. The original course was bought by the Jr. LTPA years ago and destroyed years ago. Joel Santy bought the present course, and everyone is free to use it.

Breakfast Walk: Bruce Barker could not be present to give a report, but the BW was very successful last year. This year's BW will be chaired by Bruce and Sherb House and will be on Aug. 5, Aug. 6 rain date.

Hiking and Trails: Bruce Barker, his brother and the Zycik family worked last year on Mt. Immortelle and somewhat on Elephants Head. Nothing has been done yet this year, but an effort will be made to finish Elephants Head and clean up Immortelle.

Historical Committee: Bill Lytle reported the committee

didn't meet last year. Laura Allen has the tapes of interviews that were done with some of the older campers on the lake. Marjorie Lynn said she would see if she can get the tapes from Laura. She also shared that Laura sends her love to everyone. Bill Lytle offered his resignation, suggesting it is time for younger blood to take over. He ~~was~~ thanked for his service. Larry House was given a round of applause for his longevity on the lake.

Old Business:

Larry House said he has a key to the safety deposit box; the second one is lost. The original minutes book is there. The treasurer will take the key, do an inventory and perhaps close the box.

New Business:

Norris Howard moved acceptance of the proposed By-Law changes. Marjorie Lynn seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report:

Kitty Lee Murtagh moved the following slate be elected to serve as trustees:

Gordon Warner to serve a
Sherb House 2 year term

Andy Pickett to replace John Gillette who resigned mid
term

Huguette MacDonald to begin a second term
Jim Smallman
Betsy Suatoni

Note: Al Smith and Norris Howard are beginning the second year of their first term.

The motion was seconded and passed.

Maryclaire Sherwin was sincerely thanked for her service during 2 terms as a trustee. Resignations were accepted from Tammy Paumier and John Gilette.

The Nevader family was welcomed. Regarding activity by Jon Hutchins, there has been no activity on the Fish and Game club. They have been granted a permit to build a camp on their property.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Betsy Suatoni, Secretary

LAKE TITUS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

FRANK LYTLE CAMP

JULY 9, 1994

Trustees Present: Maryclaire Sherwin (presiding for Greg Murtagh who is on vacation), Betsy Suatoni, Dan Riley, Jim Smallman, Andy Pickett.

Absent: Greg Murtagh, Tami Paumier, Jihn Gillette.

Meeting opened by Maryclaire Sherwin. Minutes of the 1993 Annual Meeting read by the secretary. Approved and seconded (Bob Coughlin and Steve Hardy).

Treasurer's Report by Andy Pickett. The Association sustained a net loss due to necessary repairs to the dam, no checks received from logging, and Steve Lamere's bill for water testing.

Dean Witter US Government Securities Fund: income was \$2400; \$28,000 now in the fund.

Restricted Endowment Fund is now up to \$12,000.

Betsy read Greg's report to the LTPA.

Discussion followed on lake water quality, and the milfoil problem. Lisa Suatoni recommended periodic sampling of lake water. She and her friend Gabe Benoit who is Assistant Professor of Environmental Chemistry at Yale volunteered to take sediment samples to verify Steve LaMere's work.

Gabe stated that although our lake is not presently weed choked, our problem will require active management. He felt that the LTPA was doing the right thing by adopting Steve LaMere's Nuisance Aquatic Vegetation Control Proposal. This plan will utilize benthic barriers in three test areas around the lake over a three year period.

Re: Milfoil infestations - very important that motorized boats avoid the areas where extensive beds of milfoil are known to exist; namely, the South Beach, the channel leading to the dam, and two areas on the east side of the lake. The Board will check with DEC regarding placing buoys around the perimeter of the beds. In the meantime, a plea was voiced to boaters to avoid these areas.

Frank Lytle reported finding a 1/4 inch worm inside a milfoil stem. Might be an encouraging sign.

Jim Smallman explained the drawdown method. We are limited to 3-4 feet draw-down as the spillway is 42 inches in height. Drawdown will not affect the milfoil beds previously referred to as they are located in 5-9 feet of water. Planned drawdown was not done last year due to adverse effect it may have had on the water supply of certain year round residents.

Mike Casey questioned how a lake drawdown affects wild life and aquatic organisms. Several expressed the opinion that effect would be minimal, that aquatic organisms would follow the water down, but suggested that LTPA look into case studies.

Andy Pickett reported on the aquatic weevil experiments in Vermont. The weevil is reportedly growing in 2/3 of the state's lakes and continuing to spread to other lakes. Milfoil will always be a part of the lake ecology according to Dr. Sally Sheldon, but the weevils could offer a partial answer to control of the weed.

Betsy reported that 184 people attended the 1993 Breakfast Walk. Total receipts were \$511.50. Cost for supplies came to \$350.00.

Bruce Barker reported on Hiking and Trails. Immortelle was done last year. Nothing this year. He needs help on Cathedral Rocks and Elephant's Head.

Maryclaire read a letter from Laura Allen in which she expressed her gratitude for the honor bestowed on her at last year's BW.

Dye Testing: Maryclaire explained Steve LaMere's offer. For \$35 he will perform the test staying on the job until definitive results are obtained, use different color dyes, and will also map out the system so that camp owners will understand the exact location of their septic systems.

Bob Coughlin stated that the Town of Malone will do the testing with no charge. Hal Taylor, Town Code Enforcement Officer has stated that the LTPA should develop a proposal for a resolution which will state that all camp owners must produce proof that their systems have been tested and found to be properly functioning. According to Hal, when passed by the Town Board, this resolution will have the force of law.

Chuck Bryden expressed concern that the Town allow sufficient time for malfunctioning systems to be brought up to code.

Mike Casey mentioned that the average camp lot does not contain the 5000 square feet required to install a new, properly functioning system.

Maryclaire read the letter from Jon and Debbie Hutchins in which they explained their plans to reapply for a permit to build a 2,000 square ft. restaurant. The building would be constructed 700 ft. from the shoreline of the lake. Discussion followed.

Several questioned whether or not a successor to Hutchins could use the property for commercial purposes. Bob C. replied that in the event of a transfer of control, the variance would also transfer.

Frank Lytle spoke in opposition to Hutchin's plans and stated that we must set a precedent for the Town to follow in the future. We must take a strong stand and fight any attempt to circumvent the zoning ordinance. Norris Howard moved that the Board draft a letter to the Zoning Board stating that we oppose any attempt to change the nature of the lake or surrounding area. Second Lynn C.. Motion carried. Phyllis Howard spoke in opposition to the Hutchin's plan or any future attempts to change the character of Lake Titus.

Others including Betsy and Irv Caplan took a more conciliatory approach in suggesting that the Board appoint a committee to speak to Hutchins to try to work out a compromise agreeable to him and with the least impact on lake residents and the environment.

Next came a discussion on the possibility of approaching the State to have Lake Titus included within the Adirondack Park as a means of shutting off any commercial development around our shoreline. According to Bob C., property values would increase, but severe restrictions and delays would apply to permits to build, rebuild, replace docks, etc.. Dan Arnold spoke against inclusion in the Park also pointing out the restrictions imposed on Park residents.

Lynn Crock suggested that perhaps we should keep an open mind on this issue, and at least attempt to find out more about the APA as a means of curtailing development around the lake.

Bob Coughlin moved that the Board of Trustees be authorized to obtain legal counsel to sue the Town of Malone and Jon Hutchins to enjoin the issuance of a building permit to a Fish and Game Club for construction of a restaurant serving meals and beverages. (Legal fees limited to \$10,000 with an additional \$10,000 if required and authorized by LTPA membership) Moved and seconded. Motion carried.

Steve Hardy questioned just how far back from the lake "open space" extends. He feels that we should define such issues as "what is on the lake" as these situations will arise again in the future.

Frank Lytle moved to authorize the Board to form a committee to investigate the zoning ordinances as they apply to the Lake Titus area. Seconded by Lynn Crock. Motion carried.

Sue Smallman reported on the Nominating Committee selections for Trustee. Al Smith and Norris Howard were nominated as new trustees, and Tami Paumier was nominated for a second term as trustee. Slate was adopted unanimously.

With so many new issues to be addressed of late, Frank L. moved to begin future Annual Meetings at 3 PM or 4 PM in order to give camp owners ample opportunity to respond to agenda items.

Respectfully submitted,


Dan Riley

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Dam Repair*

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July 9, 1994

LTPA President's Report by Greg Murtagh

Sorry I can't be there with you tonight. Our tour schedule to Ireland could not be changed and because of that, Kitty and I will miss our first LTPA meeting in over a decade.

Following are some things I would tell you if I were there tonight:

The Franklin County Water and Soil Conservation office, 483-4061, is on Finney Blvd. in Malone. It is the new building with a sign that says "Agriculture" in front of the building. If you are worried about coliform in the water you swim in in front of your camp or use in your camp, call that office and they will give you instructions on how to take samples and get them tested. The cost is about \$20.00.

The LTPA Lake Management Committee has been asked to identify weed beds on the Lake and send samples to the DEC. If you can help with this, contact Lynn Crock. The DEC will advise us on the best procedure for getting rid of those weeds. If a draw-down is recommended, campers will be notified by mail with 30 days in which to respond to the announcement of a draw-down. Your response should state any serious objections to a draw-down and if compensation is sought, the reason for compensation must be documented. The Trustees will then consider each claim.

I am the President of the new Franklin County Network of Shoreline Associations which is a group of shoreline owners from all over Franklin County. The goal is to get each of the 35 or so Lake Associations in Franklin County to join our group. There would be one vote from each Association. Total dues for each Association are \$30.00 per year. This group intends to become political and to use one, strong voice in convincing the people who represent us in government that we are heavy taxpayers in this region and our representatives should give us better attention, more money for lake quality projects and better services for our tax dollars. I am hoping the LTPA will vote to join this group. If so, our treasurer should make a check out for \$30.00 payable to the Franklin County Network of Shoreline Associations.

Our Trustees have had a meeting concerning the building permit for a fish and game club proposal at Lake Titus. Maryclaire Sherwin will address our group on that issue.

I have submitted a grievance form for all of the LTPA Assessments that are slated to increase in 1994/95. The basis of my grievance is the Fisher Act 480 property and the rate being above .045% in most of the projected assessments. I am not sure when we will be notified if the projected

assessments have been dropped, but as soon as I am told, I will pass the word along to you.

My thanks to Neal MacDonald, Rick Drake and Jim Smallman for keeping our camps above water during the spring thaw at the dam.

Betsy Suatoni and her brother, Frank Lytle also deserve a round of applause for coordinating last year's BW and for setting up the procedures for forthcoming BW's to be chaired by incoming Trustees. Heartfelt thanks to all of the BW workers. Please sign up to help again this year.

Maryclaire Sherwin has been an invaluable help to me during the past three years. She has a willingness to do her share and a great deal of energy - an excellent combination.

We are lucky to have Neal MacDonald as Logging Chairman. Neal also has a lot of energy and he will do a great job for us.

Thanks to the Zysik family and to Bruce Barker for clearing the mountain trails last summer.

Please pick up your copy of the updated addresses available here tonight. Norris Howard did those for us. Norris has been doing a lot of very necessary computer work for us and we are spoiled by this high tech treatment. Norris also did the LTPA labels and updated the LTPA map. He deserves a standing ovation.

And while you are on your feet, Norris' nephew, Andy Pickett, deserves a loud round of applause for his four years as LTPA Treasurer. He has done a lot of tedious work for us - believe me I know because I have sent him large, manilla envelopes once a month for years. He was done a great job and all of us thank you, Andy.

Rudos also to departing Trustee Dan Riley who has been our secretary for one two year term and Trustee for a two year term. Dan's Minutes are always accurate and that is not an easy job.

Trustees John Gillette and Jim Smallman spent a lot of their own money to attend a conference on weed control. We thank them for their efforts on our behalf.

I have a good, concerned group of Trustees with whom to work and I am very lucky. Thank you.

TO : LTPA Association Members/Lake Titus Land Owners

FROM: Jon and Debbie Hutchins

DATE: July 9, 1994

SUBJ: Proposed Restaurant Plans

Since we are unable to attend the meeting this evening due to previous plans we would like to submit this memo to be read and distributed. As you are all aware by now, we had applied for a variance to construct a restaurant on our property at Lake Titus. This variance was denied in May. We then applied for a permit to construct a fish and game club/recreation park on our property. This would be within our legal limits according to the "Open-Space" law of the code enforcement. We hope to clear up any misunderstandings and express our intentions in the remainder of this memo.

At this time it is our intention to continue with the restaurant proposal. We would like to again apply for a variance to construct this building but showing a further distance from the water than that of the first variance. As we had stated at the variance meeting, we would like to construct a building which would be 2,000 square feet in size/two-story and constructed of logs to keep in the "Adirondack Style". The basement area of this building would be utilized as a game/recreation room with a pool table, dart board, arcade games for children, etc. The main floor of the building would be the dining/bar area. Both floors of the building would include a fireplace. Also included with the plans would be a screened-in porch for people to socialize and dine. This building would be constructed at least 700 feet from the shoreline of Lake Titus. From the proposed site, the lake and mountains are visible creating a beautiful scenery but yet far enough back as not to disturb the summer lake residents. Also, no area camps are visible from this site. This restaurant would be accessible both by boat and by our road from Route 30. Again, we stress that access by boat does not mean giving anyone access to the lake; it means those that are already on the lake would have this type of access.

The business would be open all year except for April to mid-May at which time we would be closed. We hope to attract winter skiers and snowmobilers as well. A question was raised at the variance meeting regarding vandalism to camps during the winter with snowmobilers being in the area. For those who are not in the area during the winter months, you may not be aware that the Lake Titus area is already used by many snowmobilers. Also, we would hope that our restaurant would not be attracting the type of clientele that would be involved in vandalism. We hope to attract a family dining crowd, not a loud or bar-like atmosphere.

We have been approached by a few Lake Titus property owners and we have shown them the proposed site for this restaurant. None of these people have expressed any problem with this site and distance from the water. We have also recently been approached from some owners who have expressed their support for this restaurant.

We have been asked why we would not build this restaurant on Route 30. We feel that this would take away from the idea of overlooking the lake and mountain scenery while dining. Both the main and basement floors of this building will be glass, making this scenery visible.

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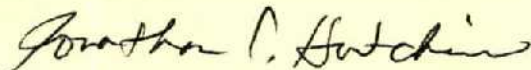
At this point, the only change to our property is that of clearing some dead trees and widening our road. The road stays damp most of the year and by exposing it more to sunlight, we should be able to avoid this problem. Tom Garland has been doing this work for us and we might add he is doing a terrific job of not leaving any limbs/branches behind. We have never done any cutting on our property near the lake. Apparently we have been blamed for cutting trees onto the ice which were not removed and then clogged the dam this past spring. So that everyone is aware, this was not any cutting that we did; we have only cut trees on our road area.

Before applying again for a variance we would like to hear comments from anyone who has a concern. We will be happy to talk and show the proposed site to those who wish to see it.

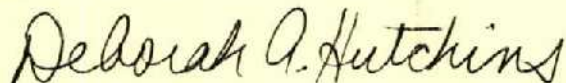
We believe that most of you on the lake would enjoy the convenience of a restaurant close to you and a place for everyone to socialize during the summer.

Please note that the drawn plans are not ready at this point and is, therefore, the reason I am not submitting them this evening.

Respectfully submitted,



Jonathan C. Hutchins



Deborah A. Hutchins

→ access to lake

→ no commert. act. on lake

→ What is "on the lake" - what is the open space area

motion
* create

zoning committee to look at laws & make
rec. to LTPA & zoning board.

New trustees:

Allen Smith

Norris Howard

Laura Allen - rec.

Dear Trustees,

Since I will not be at the meeting on July 9th, I am sending you some advance materials.

Enclosed is the Agenda for the meeting; Minutes of last Trustee's Meeting; my report to the LTPA; this year's updated addresses.

I am going to leave a box of materials at Betsy Suatoni's cabin before I leave for Ireland. Please distribute some of those materials at the meeting.

You probably should meet before the LTPA meeting and decide how you will handle the following:

1. I don't have a bill for the LTPA addresses yet, but doubt they will cost a lot. If you want to sell them, then call Bernie Desnoyers at Industrial Press in Malone and find out how much it cost to print them. Last year they were attached to the Equinox and free, so I'm not sure if you want to charge for them this year. We didn't get them in time to attach them to the Equinox.

2. If John Hutchins turns up at the meeting, there may be an altercation. An advance meeting might help you sort out how to handle that situation should it arise.

3. I am not assigning anyone to act in my place and stead. Jim Smallman is Vice-President. Jim, that does not mean you have to run the meeting. If you don't want to run it, Jim, then you should decide amongst yourselves who will do what.

I have left a packet for Maryclaire and a packet for Lynn Crock at Betsy's. There is also a packet for whoever runs the meeting.

The Audubon paper is free. There is an article in there about nutrient run-off that Norris thought should be distributed in our group. Please pass out the newspapers as a hand-out.

Sorry I can't be there. I'll draw a nice, cold Guinness to your health!

THANKS - FOR EVERYTHING!!!



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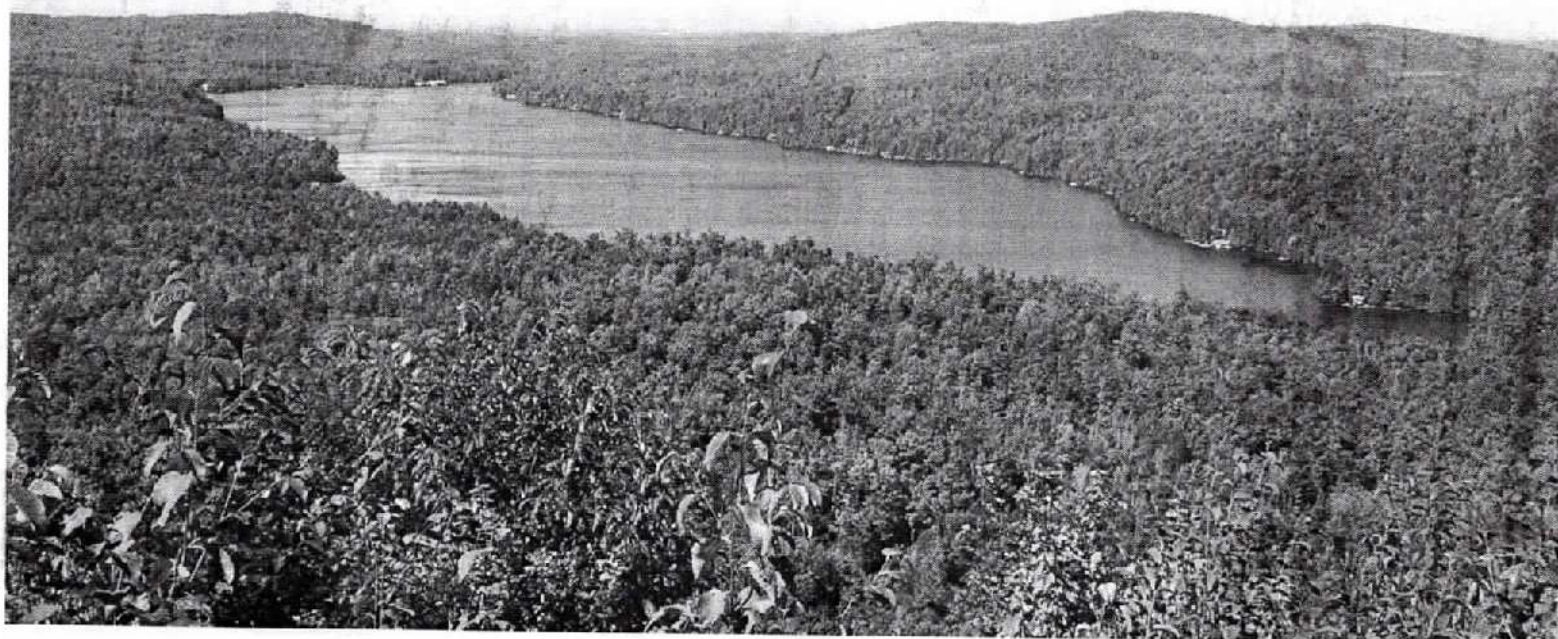
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Laura Allen Memorial Park: South Beach
Lake Titus



Sat. August 1st 2009

(Rain Date: August 2nd)

9 - 11

Breakfast:

Adults \$7 Children \$4

(Bring \$ for unpaid dues, raffle, boat parkers)

Chairman: Rick VanDeusen 483-8105

**NOTES FOR MISS ASHLEY
LAKE TITUS EQUINOX**

Help me continue the "Miss Ashley" column in the Equinox by completing this form and returning it to me.

NAME OF CAMP _____

CAMP OWNER NAME _____

Contact Phone # _____ Email Address _____

CAMP NEWS:

FAMILY NEWS:

I would like to receive this information by February 2010. You may send this form by email, snail mail, telephone or bring it to the Breakfast Walk. Thank you for your participation.

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