

FLIA Meeting
August 9, 2025, 10:AM
The Grove at Town Beach
Winchester, NH

Presiding: John Danahy, President

Attendees: Sue Abt, Martha Sears Anderson, Sally Anderson, Tim and Sue Baney, Tim and Franca Casey, Ted and Wanda Chabott (for start of meeting), John Danahy, Ken and Maureen Gunn, Joan and Peter Hollis, Walter and Christina Niland, Butch and Lori Plifka, Lauren Rice, Joyce Santerre, Doug and Mary Sears, Tim and Pat Shippee, Carol Spooner and Deb Tavares, Vimala and Chris Steadman, Dave and Lisa Tessier, Rex Vollentine, Paul and Mary Ann Warner, Jim and Dana Weir

Ted Chabott asked for a brief moment at onset of meeting to suggest a round of applause to the team of board members primarily responsible for construction of the dam.

There was a motion and second to approve the minutes which had been prepared by Sue Abt and distributed in advance. Minutes were approved on a voice vote with no objections.

Approval of the minutes for the June 14, 2025 meeting

President John Danahy offered a report on the current state of the dam project and the need to continue fundraising. He noted, in particular that some 238 “entities”—i.e., individuals, families, businesses had contributed to the project. This broad participation extended well beyond the membership of the Association which hovers around 80 typically, Approximately 50K was attributed to the Campground.

John called on Treasurer Sue Abt to report on funds needed to fully cover remaining costs. The “outstanding” number was—as of 8/7/25—\$49,971.59. Sue and John responded to a variety of questions about outstanding obligations and conversations with vendors. Sue also presented the standard treasurer’s report on current funds for non-dam operations. See attached reports as submitted.

[Subsequent to this meeting, during the fall, fundraising was completed and bills paid as reported in an email communication to the membership on April 2, 2026.]

Tim Baney reported on final necessary work which was fencing. The fence was ordered and in stock and he would be seeking volunteers for installation later in August or September.

Doug Sears reported on the lab results for the water sampling conducted on June 2. There was one anomalous set of numbers for chlorophyll-A that he would need to discuss with the state but all other numbers were in line with expectations and past trends. Phosphorus remains a concern with numbers slightly above what the state likes to see. Lab report attached.

Doug also provided some information about a report of cyanobacteria. A lake resident had taken a sample and transported to Concord. This had resulted in a notice of the test and a result of a localized high cell count. But Forest Lake was not placed on a watch or warning list.

Sue Baney reported that because of low state staffing some milfoil mitigation would be delayed, but current observations were that there was not a significant problem at present.

Jim Weir reminded members of the bonfire he and Dana and he would be hosting in the evening at 7 at his beach.

John Danahy concluded the meeting with a call for a vote on the proposed slate of officers which had been distributed in advance. Staggered proposed terms were a short-term solution to need to revise the constitution to better institutionalize term staggering. Review work on this was slated for the off-season. On a motion and second the slate was approved with a voice vote with no objections or abstentions.

- President – John Danahy - 1 year
- VP Dam Management – Tim Baney - 1 year
- Membership Manager – Frank Barstow – 1 year
- Social Director – Jim Weir – 1 year
- Sue Abt – Treasurer – 2 years
- Secretary – Hannah Sears - 2 years
- Milfoil Coordinator – Sue Baney - 2 years
- VLAP (water quality) Coordinator – Doug Sears 2 years
- Technology Manager – Lauren Rice – 2 years
- Director at Large – SEEKING VOLUNTEERS