



Silver Lake Association (SLA)

MEETING TYPE: **Regular**

MINUTES TYPE: **Summary**

July Meeting Minutes

Date: July 13, 2019

Time: 9:00 AM – 10:45AM

Location: The Club at Silver Lake

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Mark Emmerson, President and led the Pledge to the Flag

II. Meeting Attendance

Roll Call

Voting Directors/acting Alt. Dir./Exec. Comm. – 21

Others - 12

Total in attendance – 33

III. Guest Speakers

Joseph Kirisits - NYS Parks Boat Steward Program Representative for Silver Lake

--Senior at U Albany studying environmental science

-Program through ESF partnership with NYS parks - 20 stewards from Buffalo to Albany and Finger Lakes

- Thousands of inspections every season and 17% of boats polled see invasive species, 97% acceptance from boaters most very willing to discuss and participate

- 24,000 inspections reaching 58,000 people state wide

- Main goal is education on what people can do to stop the spread of invasive species

- Definition of Invasive Species - anything that is nonnative that fits into criteria of economic

damage, eco system damage, or harm to public health (ex. water chestnut, hydrilla, NY spends 1 million annually to contain the plant - Florida spends 30 million to mow it because it is uncontrollable, zebra mussels, brown gobi)

- Invasives present: curly leaf pond weed, eurasian watermilfoil red flower with leaves of red ring on stem

- early communication with DEC to eradicate plants if found quickly

- drain bilge, live wells, wash the boat, dry boat surfaces for approx 5 days

- 1100 surveys to date at Silver Lake, 99% acceptance rate, approx 6 boats an hour, Sat July 6th 140 boats, 256 dirty boats that were found to have invasive species, 326 organisms found, 23% of boat dirty, most fishing/recreational boats, DEC has visited the lake about 5 times this year

- no authority to turn people away but strongly educate on future prevention

- working Thursday through Sunday at Silver Lake



-Question was raised if has any involvement or plans for increased geese population and stated can't do anything about geese, no nuisance permits, recommended reflective geese tape may work, metallic streamers

IV. **Approval of June Minutes**

The June Minutes were sent out by email and corrected by the Board.

Motion to approve the June Minutes: Frank B.

Second; Rich E.

Approved: 21 Opposed: 0

Motion Carried

V. **Approval of June financial report**

June Financial Report:

Motion to accept report: Rich E.

Second: Jim M.

Approved: 21, Opposed: 0

Motion Carried

VI. **Presidents Report**

State of the Association report and membership numbers to come at future meeting

VII. **Committee Reports**

❖ **Water Quality Report - Frank B.**

-cleanatsilverlake.org is now active and online with a donate button online

-Jay Swede received certificate of appreciation for participating in planting and liaison with other farmers

-diver day was a success with a lot of debris removal

-projects completed last year Private Dr 1 and Site P are done

-Private Dr 1 project straight shot to the lake to remove 90 degree angles which brings sediment into the lake

-at least 2 new young eagles on the lake - DEC website report program

www.dec.ny.gov/animals/9381/html

-walleye numbers are good final report out next spring

-new state law requiring boating license but compliance by consumers is entirely voluntary

-potential 2019 planting project in state park

-Todd and Mark from PHS still pulling samples from lake to map phosphorus and map the entire base of the lake this year (not for formal decision making)

-aluminum blankets cost \$200-\$700/acre, Silver Lake 840 acres



- algae blooms: hierarchy on reporting blooms, three classes suspicious, confirmed, confirmed with high toxins
- NYS online reporting system for HABs, article states HAB on silver lake, blooms on silver lake were actually suspicious - suspicious is not confirmed, no response from editor to correct reporting
- NYHABS in web browser, visit the NYS site regularly, check it on the day you go out to the lake, etc. have it on call in hands all the time

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/83310.html>

- all HAB alerts for Silver Lake are ALL derived from state boat launch but none are confirmed
- CSLAP has not requested samples because they do not want a lot of samples to assess
- goose droppings around boat launch - nutrients in goose droppings and they draining into lake
- no confirmed HAB in Silver Lake 2019
- Duckweed is not an algae, duckweed is native to Silver Lake
- Dredging status - draft plan has been submitted to sample sediment at the north end step 1 is find out what is in the dirt (est cost 100g)
- Village of Perry paid \$30,000 to test outlet samples ten samples over 2800 ft
- 30 samples to be pulled from lake
- should be asking municipalities for help
- county and towns contribute to the sampling when it comes potentially
- Homeowners guide document for healthy shorelines - 12 steps for lake health Silver Lake Experience Aug 8,9,10
- current lake level around 96 being held up to assist with control in Lake Ontario

❖ **Hospitality – Karen N.**

- breakfast treat for August meeting
- sign in
- basket donations needed for golf tournament (currently have 4 baskets)

❖ **Boat Parade – Wayne W.**

- Wayne unable to attend due to family obligations but sent detailed report that was read by Mark
- theme of parade was “Fun in the Rain”
- 11 boats one didn’t start, went down to 10 and then one dropped out partway through 9 finished
- Mark and Mary and Ron had to tow a boat to their tract
- boat that was towed to campsite wants to become a member and encourage support from campers
- goals for next year include getting entry forms available so they are completed when the float arrives at the starting place and possible flyers or registration via website, Facebook, or various public places around town
- design some kind of banner or identification for Coordinator’s boat



Trophy: Most Patriotic:

1. Entry: Family/Friends of Jane P.
2. Tract: Austin/Shearman
3. Theme: Patriotism
4. Boat: Pontoon No. 6

Trophy: Most Original

1. Entry: Tammy & Ron L., Mickey & Al L.
2. Tract: Prentice
3. Theme: Taco Party
4. Boat: Sport Boat No. 2

Trophy: President's Choice

1. Entry: Katie M.
2. Tract: Davis Ave.
3. Theme: Silver Serpent Triathlon
4. Boat: No. 3

Trophy: Most Humorous

1. Entry: Mike B.
2. Tract: Traber North
3. Theme: Toga, Toga, Toga
4. Boat: Sport Boat No. 8

Trophy: Sport Boat

1. Name: Harmon Family
2. Tract: Durbin Ave. (Institute)
3. Theme: Elton John – "Rocketman's Red Glare"
4. Boat: Sport Boat No. 4

Trophy: Classic

1. Name: Gallmon's
2. Tract: Davis
3. Theme: Serpent Monster Truck
4. Boat: Pontoon No. 9

❖ Flares - Bob C.

- successful July 3rd
- ended up using all but 1.5 boxes
- please contact Bob to let him know what is left by August meeting so all can be settled up on

❖ Golf Tournament – Joe C.

- 15 teams signed up goal is to get to 18
- 18 hole sponsors, 4 tournament sponsors already in place, baskets are needed badly! basket raffles are big money makers
- volunteers let Karen know if able to help
- volunteers eat dinner for free



- all money comes in goes to CLEAN and water quality projects
- checks made out to CLEAN at Silver Lake
- entries are tax deductible
- Perry businesses have supported well with sponsorships including Cheese Factory, Martin Embroidery and realtor Bob Blauers
- do not have to golf to enter drawings for baskets and do not have to be present at time of drawing to win just come and buy tickets and enter
- Martin's embroidery donated basket with \$150 worth of materials website is still up and running at www.companycasuals.com/silverlakeassociation
- Martin Acres Embroidery to make around 21 items available with various SLA logos, offering portion of proceeds back to water quality efforts for Silver Lake and 10% discount to SLA members
- Order forms available for Tract Directors
- Return order forms to Mark who will submit and pickup to avoid shipping charges
- approx 2 week turnaround time on orders depending on order quantity

❖ **Home Owners of Distinction - Linda H.**

- no HOD tour because there were no nominations this year - since 1997 there have been 6 times without a garden tour 2008, 2010, 2013-2014, 2016 and 2019
- some years was because there was only one nomination and nomination was carried over to the following year
- five years with 2 winners 2000, 2005, 2009, 2011, 2015
- nomination form to be included in winter newsletter
- nomination forms circulated in April and May mtg 33 total forms taken, no nominations made
- could be due to rainy spring/slow start to summer
- Frank proposes considering the idea of making nominations valid for 3 years

❖ **Sailing Club - Mike B.**

- Every Saturday and Wednesday beginning June 8th from June through September
- Contact Mike B. for details or go to Silver Lake Sailing Club Facebook Page

❖ **SLA FB/Website – Mark E.**

- 1104 followers on facebook
- Lake resident found wallet in the lake - as of yesterday 2634 reached 250 engagements, 44 shares
- great communication tool and advertising



VIII. New Business:

❖ **Bob Blauers – SLA Support/state of real estate, Pure Waters**

- deals with requests for water front property frequently, lots of Finger Lakes clients (Keuka, Honeoye, Seneca, Conesus)
- believes Silver Lake to be ahead of the curve in terms of lake health and quality
- reputation of Silver Lake is growing significantly and evolution of lake from Pond-like to lake water
- Assessments going up everywhere system for state to assess properties is inconsistent and it is difficult to discern what is going on with assessments long term goal is that assessments balance out as equalization rate is perfected and generally speaking people on waterfront affected the most
- if you feel assessment is inaccurate there is information available to you in terms of sold info, comp info all on county website and then go to assessor and make case for yourself
- able to contact Bob for help to guide through the process as to how assessor is looking at it and how homeowner is looking at it
- some instances of assessors going beyond realm of power to increase listings
- homeowners right to know why and how the assessment is changing
- can't raise assessment by more than 2% for the first 2 years after closing
- get copy of guidelines from county office, then seek legal counsel if necessary
- thanks to Bob for his time and sponsorships for golf tournament, donations, etc.

IX. Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn: Ro D.
- Second: Frank B.
- Ayes:21, Nays: 0;
- Motion Carried
- Meeting adjourned 10:45 AM

Next Meeting August 10, 2019; Location: The Club at Silver Lake Restaurant