

**GLEN LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**October 13, 2021**

**Board members present** (In person and on zoom): Paul McPhillips, Ron Mackowiak, Linda Clark, Michele Mayer, Ryan Windelspecht, Pete Accardi, Pam Cembrook, Paul Derby, Ron Kuhl and Margaret Wallace.

**Meeting opened at 7 pm by President Paul McPhillips.** 33 members attended in person and 7 on zoom.

**Secretary's report:** Motion made by Ron K to accept 9/15/21 minutes. Seconded by Jay Ogden and passed.

**President's report:** Paul M reported we will get the Lake treated in 2022 for invasive species.

**Treasurer's report:** Ryan submitted 8-9/21 written report. 9/3/0/21 checking acct balance is \$38,871.38 and lake maintenance savings acct is \$56,191.42 for a total of \$95,062.80.

**Membership report:** Linda said out of 364 households we have 322 members. In 2021 we collected \$5000 for dues and \$10220 for lake maintenance for a total of \$15220. In 2015, total was \$10400. Increase shows members are serious about Great Escape issues and taking care of the Lake.

**Environmental committee:** Paul D said we're waiting for 2 plant surveys. Also SOLitude coming this month to draw a map. Then DEC will be contacted for chemical treatment plan. Margaret said IS Dive Co has reserved time for us next summer for handpulling. DEC strongly encourages multiple methods of controlling invasive species. There are places on Lake where chemicals aren't allowed. John Strough said handpulling is underwater weeding-can be very selective-remove bad plants but leave good plants.

**Sunshine committee:** Ron and Ellen Kuhl attended Joe Serra's memorial service. Joe was a longtime Glen Lake resident.

**Old business**

**Bylaws and constitution changes:** Linda said changes are divided into 4 sections. Each section can be voted on separately. 3 sections are just procedural-cleaning up language so we don't violate our bylaws. No discussion on these 3 sections.

4<sup>th</sup> section proposes membership and voting changes due to huge uptick in LLCs and Trusts with multiple owners. This drew a lot of discussion. Kim Ogden pointed out we need a consistent way of determining and verifying who are the legal owners of Trusts and LLCs. Consensus of discussion was membership wants an equal number of votes per property rather than the up-to-4 votes per property that has been proposed.

Discussion then moved to 1 vote per property or 2 votes per property. 1 vote is the simplest to count and verify ownership, but it may reduce membership. 2 votes (which most properties now have) allows for dissent among owners. A single owner could buy a 2<sup>nd</sup> membership to get the second vote. Constitution wording change would be needed: Even though property has only 1 or 2 votes, any number of legal owners can become members and run for office.

Paul D pointed out GLPA is a community of people who support the Lake. We don't want to lose that personal connection.

Linda said there is a written process we legally have to follow for bylaws/constitution changes. We're too far into the process not to vote on current proposals at the next membership meeting. If the membership/voting proposal section is voted down, then we can do another proposal for just that section. Paul D suggested adding an opinion poll question to the vote: 1 vote per property or 2 votes per property?

Paul M said we will not have a November meeting because seasonal owners will be gone and unable to attend. So vote will be first 2022 meeting (May or June).

### **New business**

**glenlakeny.org website posting changes:** Jo Pedersen asked if all 2022 GLPA meetings could be posted on the website at the beginning of the season.

Jay Ogden asked that Dam Committee post on website throughout the summer season whether the board is in or out.

**Glen Lake Advisory Committee** advises Town of Queensbury on issues pertaining to Glen Lake (such as tax district rate). John Strough suggested it be added as a permanent committee in our Constitution.

**Motion to adjourn** made by Tom Mayer and seconded by Ron Kuhl. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Submitted by Michele Mayer, recording secretary