## GLEN LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION General Membership Meeting September 15, 2021

**Board members present:** Paul McPhillips, Ron Mackowiak, Linda Clark, Michele Mayer, Pete Accardi, Pam Cembrook, Paul Derby, Ron Kuhl, Sue Herlihy and Margaret Wallace.

**Inperson/Zoom Meeting opened at 7:05 pm by President Paul McPhillips.** 30 people attended (20 in person and 10 on Zoom.)

**Secretary's report:** Motion made by Tom Mayer to accept 8/10/21 minutes. Seconded by Bill Merritt and passed.

**Membership report:** Linda gave an overview. Tax district is 306 households (includes full and half shares). Linda does mailings to 369 households. (So 63 members are non-owner/associate members.) So far, 172 replies received, resulting in 310 members. \$4810 collected for dues and \$9560 for lake maintenance. Property ownership around Lake is trending from traditional ownership to LLCs and Trusts with multiple owners. There are 15 LLCs (13 GLPA members) and 38 trusts (29 GLPA members).

**Board of Directors report:** Paul M made a motion to make changes to GLPA constitution and bylaws.

Seconded by Paul D. Changes will be presented tonight, discussed at October meeting and voted on at November meeting so they can take effect in 2022. Paul M said big picture is that we're trying to simplify constitution and bylaws and add more flexibility.

Linda presented **4 sections of changes agreed upon by Board.** Each section can be voted on separately. **Section 1) Membership:** There will be 2 categories of membership: Full (voting) and Associate (non-voting). Full member must be 18 or older and an owner of property in the Glen Lake tax district. Only full members can hold GLPA office. Full membership will be limited to 4 persons per property.

Discussion: There's currently no limit on number of votes per property. This could give an LLC or Trust a large number of votes if there's a large number of owners. Dennis Fredette and Tom Mayer argued for an equal number of votes for all properties. Paul M said one vote per property would eliminate a dissenting coowner from being able to vote. He also said change to up to 4 full members can always be revisited if necessary.

**Section 2) Privacy language added:** Membership secretary can only give membership lists with phone numbers and/or addresses to board members for official business.

Section 3) Committees: Adds "on or about" to dam dates and increases environmental committee from 5 to 8. Section 4) Adds live-streaming to general membership meetings when practical. In person attendance will still be needed to vote.

Discussion: Linda said we don't have the technology or budget to properly identify voters on Zoom. Dennis Fredette suggested voting by proxy. Otherwise he said we shouldn't have an important vote in November as Glen Lake is a summer-only residence for many members.

## **Standing Committees:**

Sunshine committee: Ron Kuhl said sympathy cards were mailed to families of Dorothy Hunt and Joe Serra.

## **Environmental committee: Invasive species mitigation:**

Margaret is working with IS Dive Co this Falls to get contracts in for next summer.

Paul D said we'll have benthic scanning report in Oct and SOLitude plant survey in Nov. We also need membership to email invasive species pictures and narratives to <a href="mailto:pmcphill@nycap.rr.com">pmcphill@nycap.rr.com</a>. Sue McPhillips is compiling them for our DEC meeting to determine 2022 Lake treatment. John Cembrook pointed out 2021 will be a great example of one year of an untreated lake.

Paul D brought in 5 jars of invasive plant samples for everyone to look at: Illinois pondweed, Eurasian milfoil, leafy pondweed, brittle naiad and elodea. He said there's also a lot of chara in the Lake but it's easily raked up, adds oxygen and isn't a problem plant.

Other Business: Algae presentation by Dave Hodgeson: He said the algae bloom we saw in the spring was spirogyra and was not harmful.

Recently there was a cyanobacteria minibloom near the Docksider. It was seen on Friday and gone by Monday. Most of these blooms aren't toxic. But only way to know if it is toxic is to take a sample and have it analyzed by a certified lab. Paul D said he has CSLAP containers we can use to take samples and send to DEC. So call if you see a bloom.

Warm, calm weather toward end of season can cause short-lived blooms. Algae blooms can be an indicator of pollution runoff or they can occur naturally. Because a bloom may be toxic to humans and other mammals, stay away from it and keep your pets away from it. Drinking water would need to be treated if there was a large bloom that persisited many days.

We all thanked Dave for the presentation.

**Rain and Lake level presentation at October meeting:** Paul M said Dave Hodgeson has been keeping records of rain amounts and Lake level changes. Dave will do a presentation at our October meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Pam Cembrook and seconded by Pete Accardi. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Submitted by Michele Mayer, recording secretary