

QQLA Minutes for Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 18, 2016

Location: McCleary's Home

Chair: Don Taft

Members Present:

South Pond: Don Taft, Mary Lou Knight, Carrol Yorzck, Marita Tasse, Judy & Skip Nielsen, Doug Vizard, Trish & Bryan McLeary,

North Pond: Randy Weiss, Bev Lund,

Meeting called to order: @ 6:45pm

Minutes approved: electronically and distributed to the web

Treasurer's Report: accepted

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Membership: total family members 139; dues paid by 94 families. Current Board membership by lake and town: NP 8/SP 13; B/ 6, EB/ 7, S/8.
- Newsletter/Facebook: Trish McCleary has volunteered to create both. Thank you to Trish!
- Website: Hank Bonney is the QQLA webmaster. Thank you Hank!

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SWWTP (Don)

QEC members met with Rep. Don Berthiume for information sharing related to the NPDES permit. Ann Gobi emailed that she has forwarded our electronic folder of information to both the DEP and the EPA. DEP has referenced our concerns but has not responded to QQLA directly. Currently QQLA is composing scientifically and legally based questions to inquire publically at the NPDES permit hearing. We must be granted one month notice when the hearing will take place. A lengthy discussion took place as members planned our best steps going forward.

Vote: motion made by Bev Lund and seconded by Judy Nielsen to pay our legal council Jamie Vandersalm a retainer fee of \$5000. All in favor.

Vote: motion made by Don Taft and seconded Marita Tasse to place a \$20,000 cap for legal fees related to SWWTP permit efforts by QQLA. All in favor.

Flow Barrier: (Skip)

QEC members also made a presentation to Rep. Berthiume regarding the use and history of the South Pond Flow Barrier. Rep. Berthiume expressed his support for the flow barrier and his admiration for the efforts of QQLA to protect the waters of both lakes.

Skip and Bill will be away for 2 months. Don Taft will be the contact person for Flow Barrier operational needs. Don will also follow up with Rep Berthiume to see if he has had any contact with the EB BOS and Concom. Larry Gordon from the EB BOS will continue to be the contact person for the operation of the flow barrier.

OLD BUSINESS

- Welcome Packets for new lake residents: Meg is chair; Randy has a few packets for North Pond.
- Holiday food donations: Marita will write thank you notes to donors.

NEW BUSINESS

- Treasurer: **Vote:** Carrol Yorcyk motioned, seconded by Bev Lund to accept Mary Lou Knight as our new treasurer. All in favor.
- Brookfield Library will store a copy of the 1985 “Feasibility Study” and MaryLou and Randy are making a copy of it.
- Historical records of QQLA are being compiled by Carrol and Bev with assistance from Randy. ? archive for access. Carrol is still looking for stories and photos of historical interest.
- ESS 2016 proposal of \$14,300 to map and treat both lakes this spring. Both local licensed weed applicants (ACT & Lycott) have been bought by “Solitude” treatment company from the great lakes area. (past treatment costs include 2013 \$10,000; 2014 \$11,300 2015 \$11,300 and 2016 \$14,300. **Vote:** A motion to accept this years weed treatment proposal was made by Bev Lund and seconded by Brian McCleary. All in favor.
- LOGO subcommittee design presented by Marita Tasse. After a discussion and several ideas presented, the committee will submit a few revisions via email to the board for approval.
- QQLA Board of Directors organizational chart submitted for discussion by Judy Nielsen. Board will review and inquire of friends and neighbors if new participants can fill any empty positions. No decision made at this time. Still seek president.

Next BOD Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Adjourned @ 9:30 pm

Respectfully submitted
Judith Nielsen
Recording secretary