

QQLA Minutes for Board of Directors Meeting

Date: August 15, 2019

Location: Nielsen Home

Chair: Doug Vizard, president

Members Present: 11/18

South Pond: Don Taft, Meg Noyes, Doug Vizard, Marita Tasse, Bill Seabourne, Judy Nielsen, Skip Nielsen, Connie Montross

North Pond: Sue Sasdi, Randy Weiss, Carlene Weiss

Guests: none

Meeting Called to Order: 6:45pm

Minutes Approved: electronically and posted

Treasurer's Report: hard copy distributed by Carlene

Marita discussed the Sturbridge Lakes Betterment Fund with its standards for submitting requests.

Don suggests QQLA donate \$250 to the Camp Day scholarship fund for needy campers. All agreed.

Committee Reports:

Membership: 124/228 member families (anticipated more members at annual meeting)

Randy has suggested posting the membership to our website with a standard deletion date of 18 months.

Don discussed a membership drive; written reminders have been mailed by Carlene and Randy.

Fundraising: Bill discussed one versus two separate letters, for the general fund and for the alum treatment. Hold as an agenda item at next meeting.

Annual meeting fundraisers include clothing, books and notecards, 50/50 raffle.

Randy and Bill have coordinated the poker paddle event on September 7.

Communication & Recreation:

Carrol has arranged for a news article regarding lake history with a reporter from the Spencer New Leader. There is also a news post regarding the poker paddle and we have flyers to post.

Beach News: Doug reported there will not be fees this year. He has participated in the beach committee with the town of Brookfield.

Don has generated an annual meeting packet for information to be distributed to our membership and attendees. Annual Meeting and Pancake Breakfast at the YMCA camp on Sunday August 18.

Poker Paddle September 7; 4.8 mile paddle on both lakes. Prizes include \$250 first place; kayak 2nd place and gift certificates for 3rd place

Randy reported the next newsletter will come out after the poker paddle.

There will be photo contest with the theme announced soon.

NORTH POND PRESERVATION

SWWTP: The Poop group met at Don's home to practice the treatment plant's computer interface and as of this meeting there are no new data points from June 2019.

Weed Treatment: Carl Nielsen from ESS will present an educational program at the annual meeting including the identification of nuisance weeds and their management.

SOUTH POND PRESERVATION

Flow Barrier update: Skip reports the flow barrier is open and water is flowing out of So. Pond. He attended the East Brookfield BOS meeting and will attend the Conservation Commission meeting on August 20. QQLA is seeking copies of the Order of Conditions for the flow barrier and the weed treatments to stay on top of the requirements for the operation of both programs.

Bridge Renovation Update: no update

Alum Treatment: Skip reports the EB BOS gave a positive response to early discussion of the alum treatment. There will be a special town meeting in the fall for financial matters for the town.

Carl Nielsen from ESS will present an educational program at the annual meeting on the benefits of an alum treatment to South Pond.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Board organization and new board members:

The nominations committee will present new board members for a vote at the annual meeting; Michelle Clark, Jeff Clark, Connie Montross.

The board discussed the proposed organizational revision. Sue Sasdi raised a concern the without a distinct president, QQLA should have one of the vice presidents assigned the professional signature authority. Doug Vizard agreed to assume this role. The new structure was accepted by the board.

The board will distribute the new structure of the QQLA board to the membership at the annual meeting.

The board voted to approve a donation of \$100 to East Brookfield for its 100 year anniversary to be held September 12, 2020.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 @ 6pm at the Seabourne's home.

Meeting Adjourned: 9pm

Respectfully Submitted;

Judy Nielsen, recording secretary