

Minutes for QQLA Board of Directors Meeting

Date: October 22, 2019

Location: Seabournes' home

Moderator of meeting: Bill Seabourne

Welcome: 6:30pm

Members present:

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

North Pond: Sue Sardi

Guests: Pat Seabourne

Meeting called to order: 7:00pm

Co-recording secretary: (Judy) (Connie)

Pre-approved electronically

Treasurer's Report: (Carlene)

- Hard copy distributed and approved pending Carlene's assist, particularly with regard to a beginning balance.
- Judy Nielsen noted that a QLA CD of \$10,000 was to be turned over to the QQLA.
- Marita Tasse stated QQLA received \$1385 from the Sturbridge Lake Betterment Fund

Lakes Preservation:

Spencer Wastewater Treatment Plant (SWWTP) Doug

- Data posted on line for 8/31 and 9/30
- No flow data reported
- Interpretation and discussion of Spencer and DEP online data

Weed Treatment (Doug)

- Pleased with mapping of weeds done this fall. Fall mapping allows for prompt weed treatment in the spring.
- Doug Vizard reported on extensive spread of fanwort in North Pond and subsequent fanwort spread in South Pond
- Sue Sardi noted that the treatment of milfoil in her area of North Pond was successful.
- Doug Vizard noted that a new method of treatment would cost about 3 times more but last about 3 times more.
- Discussion of additional fundraising letter detailing past successful treatments in both ponds and requesting funds for future weed treatment.

Flow Barrier update (Skip)

- Currently closed and holding 1.22 ft at crest
- Lashaway due for drawdown Nov.1

Alum Treatment: (Skip)discussed after Treasurer's Report

- Awaiting the response by Brookfield for its support
- Application due May 2020
- Carl Nielsen noted that QQLA might provide the funds in May and then be reimbursed by the town of Brookfield after its town meeting in June
- Discussion of Camp Frank A Day support; it may depend on forthcoming commitments from Brookfield and East Brookfield
- 319 Grant application needs certified matching funds.

Membership: (Meg, Carlene)

- Meg will distribute information re nonmembers and late dues payers.
- Discussion of initiative to call lapsed old members and new members (approximately 40)

Fundraising: (Bill)

- Current fall fundraiser is ongoing.
- Second request letter out soon (before Christmas season).
- Discussion regarding participation of both lakes. Sue Sardi noted that a lack of knowledge of QQLA's efforts and the part-time nature of many residents may affect participation negatively.

Communication/Education: (Randy) (Michelle)

- Next newsletter (possibly November)
- Photo contest

Social/Recreation/Community Events (Don)

- Holiday Turkey Donations: Don Taft is heading the effort to donate turkeys to Brookfield and East Brookfield (approximately 30-40).
- Spring Fling: Don will contact Christine at Oakholm about a possible date
- 5 de mayo may be celebrated on the 3 de mayo.
- July 4th Boat Parade- on the morning of the 4th of July
- Poker Paddle
- Discussion of need to ask for permits for use of the Lake asap

New Business:

- Marita shared info about the Opacum Walk this Saturday at Dingle Dell.

Next Meeting Date and Location: Niensens' on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00. Sue Sardi moved for the adjournment and it was seconded.

Respectfully submitted:

Judy Nielsen and Connie Montross

Co-Recording Secretaries