

## **Agenda for QQLA Board of Directors Meeting**

**Date: June 21, 2022**

**Location: Yorzyk house (Lane 7) or Virtual, 6:30 PM**

**Moderator of meeting: Bill Seabourne**

### **Welcome:**

### **Members Possible:**

**South Pond:** Connie Montross, Judy Nielsen, Skip Nielsen, Bill Seabourne, Don Taft, Marita Tasse, Doug Vizard, Carrol Yorzyk.

**North Pond:** Dawn Aguiar, Jeff Clark, Annette Lazili, Michele Mandella, Sue Sasdi, Susan Swanstrom, Carlene Weiss, Randy Weiss

### **Call to Order: 6:49 PM**

**Minutes, Recording Secretary: (Michele), electronic approval received**

### **Treasurer's Report: Carlene**

Board reviewed report. Don motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was amended to allow \$500 spending cap for treasurer without approval from the board. Randy seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Wild Bill Swim: (Jenn)**

Jenn provided a status report to the group noting that things are moving along with donations coming in and participants registering.

Pat and Carrol are collecting raffle prizes. Bill noted that quotes for insurance are also coming in. Donations are expected to cover the cost of insurance.

Marita made a motion that the board approved up to \$1,200 for insurance expenditures. If quote is higher, there will be a subsequent vote. Sue Sasdi seconded. Vote was unanimous.

#### **Gate Operation: (Doug, Dawn, Randy)**

Dawn created a QR code and website ([isthegateopen.org](http://isthegateopen.org)) for communication to residents about closing/opening weir between the two lakes. Randy built a sign that has been set up at the boat ramp on Quaboag Pond.

### **Fourth of July Two Boat Parade (Michele and Carrol)**

Michele said the planning is complete and communication is going out to residents. Parades will be on each pond on July 3 with a cookout to follow at Michele's house.

### **Watercraft Census, July 4<sup>th</sup> : all set**

Don and MaryLou will conduct the census on South Pond. Randy will conduct on North Pond. Results will be published in the newsletter.

### **Lakes Preservation:**

#### **Spencer Wastewater Treatment Plant (SWWTP) (Doug).**

Doug noted that things are moving along as they are supposed to. The plant is operating within specs for phosphorous but the flow is still too high (20% over initial target).

#### **Weed Treatment (Doug)**

According to Doug, there are a lot less weeds this year than expected. He is recommending against the June treatment but will review after July 4 holiday.

Marita expressed concern about the milfoil in the south cove in South Pond. Doug confirmed this area is on the list of areas to be reviewed. Marita suggested having a meeting that DCR would conduct and spend an evening showing and educating about the different types of vegetation in North Pond. Marita will organize.

### **Update 319 Grant 2021 (Bill)**

Bill said they are working on recording matching in-kind donations for South Pond where people have improved their properties. They identified (6) people who have done improvements and Bill will reach out to them for information. Bill does not think there will be a problem reaching required amount of in-kind donations.

### **Membership: (Meg, Carlene)**

Status of membership drive for 2022, (Carlene, Meg) push at Annual Meeting – 115 members. Another letter will go out in the next week. Carlene working on second request.

Changes to Phone Books, some deletions and several new members, list will be included in next new letter. Will be done after the annual meeting.

### **Fundraising: (Bill)**

- Connie suggested going to Enrico's and talk to them about a fundraising night.
- Poker Paddle Run – Randy and Bill are thinking about before Labor Day. Don noted that applications need to be sent to the town and then the Brookfield Board of Selectmen. Don will call town hall and find out when the ramp is available for a special use permit. Planning on weekend of Sept. 10.

### **Communication/Education:**

Randy said the newsletter going out this week. He wants to start another newsletter right away to promote the Wild Bill Swim. Come out the end of July. Very few submissions for the critter photo contest. Randy has prizes and will announce them in a day or two.

### **Annual Meeting: (Sue and Connie)**

The annual meeting will take place August 14 at 10 am at Camp Frank A. Day. There will be merchandise sales and photo contest entries along with raffles. The camp will provide the food. Sue Sasdi and Marita will take care of signs.

Sue suggested East Brookfield historian Heather Gablaski as the guest speaker (to coincide with the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary). Copies of her book will be available.

Don also made a motion to allow Marita to spend \$500 on merchandising items for the annual meeting. Bill seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **The Beach Committee, (Jeff Clark)**

Jeff said there will be a police presence at the beach over July 4 weekend. Jeff said he is hoping to schedule one more cleanup mid-July depending on what happens over the holiday weekend

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Don noted that next year is the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brookfield and wanted to plan a number of events on the lake. He suggested a Polar Plunge for January; ice fishing derby in February; Illumination night in September; Boat parade in July and the Wild Bill Swim in August. He was hoping to have one event each month.
- Michele wants to start a kayak club on Sundays on Quaboag Pond.

- Michele also asked if the QQLA would sponsor nature walks around the lakes for the residents. Marita will forward contact names of people and Michele will reach out.

**Next meeting is Wednesday, July 20 6:30 pm – Bill and Pat’s house.**

Adjournment 9:07 pm.