

September 4, 2010

8:30 A.M.

Seymour Lake Association Board Meeting

Members present: Pres. Lyman McWain, Treasurer Janet Selby, board members Ted Jewett, Steve Massicotte, Richard Miller, Peggy Barter, Jim McWain, Tim Buzzell, Allan Wooley, Kal Samuels, and Membership committee member Bruce Barter.

Secretary's Report: Approval of minutes of meeting on 7/6/10 and 7/24/10 was moved by Ted Jewett and seconded by Allan Wooley. So voted.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Janet Selby reported that presently there is a balance of \$16,107.24 in the checking account and \$40,000 in a CD which matures on 10-28-10. Anticipated expenses for the rest of the fiscal year should be approximately \$7000-\$8000. At the time that the CD matures, at the least an additional \$5000 to \$6000 should be able to be added to the CD. Peggy Barter moved to accept the report which was seconded by Jim McWain and it was so voted.

Zoning Report: Board Member Steve Masicotte talked with Steve Matson from the Zoning Board regarding including a new set back for new building along lakeshore property. Mr. Matson's personal belief was that a buffer zone would make more of a difference rather than the additional 10' set back because you can still cut back everything down to the lake. No action has yet been taken by the Zoning Board. Discussion regarding mandating setback and buffer zones and our problem of decreasing water quality in the lake continued. It was decided that Steve Massicotte would go to the Zoning Board meeting on September 20, 2010 and recommend our proposal of an additional 10' setback (30 feet) and back lot setback to 15 feet as was voted on at the annual meeting. The Seymour Association represents 66% of the landowners around the lake. The recommendation from the SLA is to improve more buffer space around the lake.

Milfoil Program: A new sign for the SLA Aquatic Nuisance Program to replace an old cardboard sign was proposed by Janet Selby for the Seymour Lake boat access. It was included in this year's grant that was written for the milfoil program. Janet passed around a sample of what it might look like. Jim McWain moved and Ted Jewett seconded that the sign be replaced and it was so voted. Janet will gather more information on size, variations, cost and share it with the board.

Janet also reminded board members and committee members that information for hours, mileage, expenses spent and donated need to be sent to her by October 1st as the final milfoil grant information has to be turned in by the end of the month. As there is no audit this year, an itemized account is not necessary but is always appreciated.

Membership: Bruce Barter presented information on the present membership status. 61.2 % of people owning land around the lake have joined YTD. Donations as well as memberships are up considerably from last year. There was a discussion about family memberships and ideas for getting adult family members to join individually. Membership chairman Ted Jewett suggested that we thank members for joining in the Newsletter by listing the names of members. It would also allow people to see if they had

joined as well as thank them . A new “ThankYou” card for donations was passed around that Jan had printed to save time and postage.

Newsletter ideas: Articles on “Thank you for joining”, Anthony Lazarra’s history of his place, Dayna Cole’s plantings for buffer zones program, the fishing report, buffer zones in people’s properties, ice out fundraiser were some of the ideas presented. It was suggested that a fall issue would be appropriate.

Water Quality: President Lyman McWain had a call from Tracey Shadday on social marketing (property management and buffering). She volunteered to bring a plan to the board- a proposal concerning Seymour Lake and buffering to focus education of these matters. She will present it to the Board and they will determine if it something they are able to take on and how it fits into the Water Quality domain. Water Quality chairperson Peggy Barter reported that the plant survey is coming along and the state will be helping us with it. Water quality continues to be a concern but seems to be holding level.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by Janet Selby, Treasurer

(for Jean McKenny, Secretary)