

**Seymour Lake Association - Board of Directors Meeting**  
**June 25, 2020 7 pm at the Morgan Church**

**Present:** Chuck Nichols, Rhonda Shippee, Linda Buzzell, Jean McKenny, Tim Buzzell, Frank Antonelli, Erik Lessing, Bill Bilowus, Woody Woods, Sean Selby, Bonnie McWain, Bruce Barter

**Absent:** Tom Adams

**Committee Chair:** Peggy Barter

1. April 4th meeting notes approved.
2. Social: Frank Antonelli - Because of COVID-19, we will not hold the Annual Social, taking a year off. The Kolars would prefer that we not hold it at Camp Winape this year. Tim made a motion to cancel, seconded by Sean, no discussion, approved.
3. Treasurer - Jean McKenny - Financial report attached. She has all the info to give to the Auditor. Northwoods asking for a donation, \$250 last year; FOVLAP membership \$50; MWS \$100 membership. Sean made a motion to approve all three, Woody seconded, passed. Some discussion about our CD's and Jean is taking care of it.
4. Boat Parade - Tim Buzzell & Bonnie McWain - Sean applied for the permit from the State but has received no answer. His opinion is that we really don't need it and can go ahead. Bonnie & Tim agreed on July 4th at 1 p.m., with no rain date. Bonnie will prepare a flyer and send an e-mail blast. Chuck would post on the website if the weather is inclement. Sean made a motion to have the parade, Rhonda seconded, approved.
5. Boating access - The State is not mowing this year and Chuck hired Norm Fortin to mow for us. Regarding the silting problem, Beth Torpey is convinced there is a significant increase in the siltation problem. Asked the State to come and check, but they said there would be no dredging. Chuck, Tim and Beth met to look at the area and Tim felt that there is a significant increase on the left side. The older boat access is now unusable. Discussed possibilities to correct the problem and the most sense is to put "mafia blocks" out on the east side of the river parallel to the peninsula. Put them out 100 ft to make the stream direct itself out straight. No idea whether the State would agree. Maybe we could use channel markers to guide boats out of the channel; will be researched. Rhonda suggested this info be put in the newsletter so people will know.
6. Brief discussion about the problem Julie and Libby Jacobs are having with their neighbor's dock blocking access to their dock. They asked Chuck if SLA has any authority but he told her there isn't much we can do. Sean said it is not a police issue as well. It was suggested that Julie might talk to the State Representative Reggie Smith and ask him to push ANR to respond to the legality of his dock.
7. Fishing: Bill Bilowus discussed the smelt project - 10 bags with millions of eggs were deposited in Valley and Sucker Brooks. It is a three year project to see if they will establish themselves and return to the brooks to spawn. There is considerable erosion on these brooks and is the reason the access is silting in etc. Tim contacted OCNRCD about their "Trees for Streams" program to mitigate erosion and create habitat. Sarah Damsell, manager of OCNRCD, is very interested but said COVID-19 has caused a financial problem but she is researching it. Tim and Bill talked with the owner of the property, Robert Cargill, and he is on

board. Sarah will also meet with him. Trevor Bannister, Northwoods, mapped the entire brook which will be very helpful in the project. Much discussion.

8. Loons - Woody Woods - loon count is on, fewer loons this year and no nesting pair. There were 2 dead loons found locally.

9. Annual Meeting - The three members up for re-election are Bruce Barter, Bonnie McWain and Woody Woods - all three said they would stay on the board if elected. It was brought up that it is important that we find younger members to work as back up for Erik (Newsletter) and Bruce Barter (Membership), big jobs if suddenly they decided to leave!

The State has said that groups of 75 with social distancing can meet. We need to let membership know 21 days in advance if we cancel or change this year's meeting. Two thoughts #1no meeting and postpone a year or # Have a Zoom meeting with an interactive ballot. Tim made a motion that Chuck ask the State is a postponement for one year is legal and if not, have a Zoom meeting or ask the school if we could have a meeting there. Bill seconded, approved. Chuck will get back to us.

Adjourned 8:50 p.m.