

Seymour Lake Association - Board of Directors Meeting 10/2/20

At Chuck Nichols home and ZOOM

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

Absent: Woody Woods

Committee: Peggy Barter

1. Secretary's Report - approved
2. Treasurer's Report - Jean McKenny - See attached report - Jean explained a couple of the expenses. She put mowing at the access \$400 under Water Quality. There was \$50 extra under Administrative for the Church rental in June for our meeting. She wasn't sure what was happening with Morgan Unemployment, seems low but will probably catch up by the end of the year. Some discussion about moving money from checking account but there are remaining expenses. Bruce moved to approve, Rhonda seconded, approved.
3. Discussion about smelt project - Bill Bilowus - There will be another meeting coming up and Bill will write something for the newsletter. He stated that we will need additional volunteers in the spring for the stream surveys.
4. Membership - Tom Adams & Bruce Barter - report attached
5. Dredging at boat access - Chuck Nichols - Chuck has been pursuing the State in regards to dredging. Beth took a survey and at least 50 boats bottomed out this season. Emails to the State have had negative results. We would like them to at least mark the channel but if they won't, Chuck will continue to go up the chain. Maybe have boaters contact the State themselves too? Bruce Remick is taking over putting in and taking out the buoys on the north east side of the lake.
6. Newsletter - Erik Lessing - some discussion about an obituary for Alan Wooley and it was decided that the bottom of the first page could have a sentence or two and possibly other lake members who have passed away during the year.
7. Milfoil & Greeters - There was an incident at the access with a boat owner and a greeter who had asked to see his wet well. Beth received a call from the Captain of the VT Game Warden's office. Next year we will replace the inspection notice with a bigger sign indicating the law and fines.
8. Water Quality - Tim Buzzell report on Sucker Brook - After noticing so much erosion on the surrounding brooks during the smelt project, Tim contacted Sarah Damsell & the Orleans County Conservation District about their Trees for Stream Project. She ran with it and set up a meeting with State officials, the property owner Robert Cargill, Bob Durgin, Bill Bilowus. The meeting was 9-30-20 at the site. The State was very interested in purchasing the water corridor and the Cargills are interested. Tim also noted that the Farrell Farm on Valley Rd. was purchased by the State and will no longer be farmed or have animals on site.

Peggy Barter - the BOD needs to decide how to publicize our EPA award. It was decided it would be announced in the, local newspapers, November newsletter and post on our website and Facebook page. Reclassification of Seymour Lake - we need more information. What are pluses and minuses for us. Chuck said we would say ok with no commitment and will listen to

what the State has to say. Rhonda and Peggy will follow through with the A1 Classification and Sean will help.

9. Loons - one egg this year but the parents abandoned it.

10. Maps - Chuck will ask the map company to send us a revised name index if possible.

11. Other Business - David Wieselmann and a dock system to help him in and out of his kayak - Erik Lessing continues to work with Gervais in a design and possible way to have him build the system. He will keep us informed but there is about \$7000 from fund raising and feels it's possible it could be built for that.

12. Next board meeting in January.

Motion to adjourn at 3:45 pm by Tom Adams, seconded by Bruce Barter, approved.