

Lake Anasagunticook Association

Officers and Directors Meeting

May 27, 2006

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Officers in Attendance: Beth Convey, Secretary

Judy Hamilton, Treasurer

Directors in Attendance: Biff Atwater, Daryl Boness, Buzz Croston, Carolyn Gray,

Terry Hinckley, Tim Kirwan, Terry Smith, and Terri Swanick

Absent from Meeting: Jack Atwater, Joe Cloonan, and John Convey

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Boat Ramp Repairs

The new owner of the property where the boat ramp is located, in Hartford, has shown interest in repairing the ramp and is in discussion with Oxford County Soil & Water Department about obtaining new concrete blocks for the boat ramp, as the old blocks are all broken. He may be interested in monetary support from the Lake Anasagunticook Association and the Town of Hartford. Terry Smith suggested that this was private property, and as such, if we provide the new owner with any type of assistance, LAA could be held responsible for any liabilities. Terry Hinckley thought that this would create increased traffic. The boat ramp continues to get much activity even with its deteriorating condition. Biff Atwater mentioned that the only reason the concrete blocks were used, was to prevent erosion to the lake. Carolyn Gray proposed that we buy and maintain the boat ramp. LAA would like the boat ramp closed for many reason, i.e., pollution and milfoil contamination, cost for upkeep, owner not being able to supervise or control public use of ramp, liability, etc. We all agreed that LAA should wait until we have an official request for help. Buzz Croston has been cleaning the ramp area and mentioned that the State is not interested in stocking the lake with fish as there is no parking area.

Web Site Changes

Terri Swanick has the web site in full operation. LAA members should keep her informed of all events and any changes. Links to the Newsletter, Annual Meeting and Directors Meeting will be added to the site. Biff and Terri will coordinate e-mail listings of members to be listed on this web site. Judy suggested we find ways to promote the LAA and attract the younger generation for membership.

Frontrunner/Crowning of Gravel Roads

It will be necessary to rent a ¾ ton truck with a plow hitch. Funds were appropriated at our last annual meeting for the rental of a frontrunner. Judy Hamilton will contact the Hartford Selectmen when and if we get the truck needed for use of the frontrunner on Camp Road. Her suggestion of Camp Road would be to help us demonstrate to the town of Hartford that a frontrunner is different from a rock rake and could save the town money by not having to add gravel before using the grader to fix gravel roads in town. Terry Hinckley will contact Randy Gammon for his availability and cost for crowning. Daryl Boness believes that the crowning of roads requires annual maintenance.

Maine Audubon Society

Daryl Boness gave Judy Hamilton the application form for LAA membership to the Maine Audubon Society.

Boat Inspector

There is an opening for a Boat Inspector.

Newsletter

Biff Atwater asked for guidelines regarding advertising in the Newsletter. It was agreed that property rentals and boats for sale would have free advertising for members and nonmembers would have to pay a \$10.00 fee - which would automatically make them members. Biff would also like to include in the Newsletter the names of those who donated items towards Lake Days. The Newsletter is mailed "First Class". In this manner if there is a change of address the Newsletter is returned so that our listing is updated. Terry Hinckley will check with the Post Office to see if we could benefit as a Nonprofit Organization. Judy stated that we are a Nonprofit Organization under State law but not under Federal law. Tim Kirwan suggested that we find a way to make new home builders and buyers aware of membership in LAA. Biff had us review his list of members and their e-mail addresses.

By-laws

To be presented at our next meeting.

Nominating Committee for Officers and Directors

We are to inform Judy Hamilton of our intentions of continuing as officers and/or directors and any new nominations for office to be voted at our LAA Annual Meeting.

Lake Task Force

The Lake Task Force needs member input for suggestions and ideas from seasonal lake residents. Terry Smith reminded us of the fact that residents and new home builders are not following shoreland ordinances or watershed regulations. More enforcement is needed to protect our lake.

Dam Update

To be presented at our next meeting. The dam owner hasn't cashed the \$100.00 check sent to him by LAA.

Maps

Maps left at Canton and Hartford Town Office have not been sold.

Lake Days - LAA Annual Meeting - August 12 & 13

Judy Hamilton will provide us with lists so that we may contact individuals informing them of Lake Days and LAA Annual Meeting. Judy will also inform us of Lake Day activities.

Meetings

We all were in agreement to hold our meeting on the weekends of Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day. LAA Lake Days and Annual Meetings will remain the 2nd weekend of August. The next Officers and Directors Meeting will be held at 8:00AM on Saturday, July 1 at Tom and Judy Hamilton's house off Camp Road on Pinehaven Drive.

This meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM, concluded at 9:50 PM and held at Green Acres. The members thanked Daryl and Leslie Boness for their warm hospitality.

Submitted by: Beth Convey, Secretary