

Lake Anasagunticook Association  
Officers and Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
August 10, 2007

Officers in attendance:

Biff Atwater, President  
John Convey, Vice-President  
Beth Convey, Secretary  
Judy Hamilton, Treasurer

Directors in attendance: Brenda Adams, Jack Atwater, Daryl Boness, Buzz Croston, Carolyn & Bill Gray, Terri Swanick. Proposed Director: Shawn Henderson

Meeting commenced at 7:10 PM

Changes to the minutes of June 29, 2007 were made and approved under "Lake Anasagunticook Dam Proposals", add as last paragraph the following:

"We had a discussion about whether to support the temporary dam proposal in principle and potentially financially. In that discussion held at our May 2007 meeting, the board voted in favor of a motion that stated the Board supports any legal efforts to maintain the existing Water Level Management Plan as modified in September 1996."

**Fund Raising: T-Shirts**

Judy Hamilton proposed and we agreed that LAA charge \$15.00 (including tax) and \$18.00 (including tax and mailing) for the Lake Anasagunticook Association T-Shirts.

**Web Site**

Terri Swanick indicated that besides information pictures, etc. relating to LAA, we have a link on the web site which takes you directly to the dam page showing up to date articles and blogs relating to the dam situation. We have over 1090 viewers who have opened this site.

**LakeSmart**

Judy Hamilton submitted 8 or 9 homeowner addresses to Oxford Soil & Water for evaluation. It will take a few weeks before LakeSmart will be able to contact the homeowners.

**Lake Days (Events and Timing)**

Jack Atwater said the raffle will be held after the games and face painting events. Brenda Adams will contact the face painting provider. After a lively debate it was decided that the raffle tickets will be sold throughout the day. John Convey contacted LakeSmart and John MacKenzie will have demonstrations on invasive plants and handouts until the end of

the raffle. Certain items will be designated to be raffled at the end of our annual meeting on Sunday, August 12.

### **Membership**

Judy Hamilton would like some volunteers to update the mailing list during our annual meeting. Jack Atwater will volunteer for Labor Day.

### **Nominating Committee**

Judy Hamilton informed us we have two empty spots on the Slate for LAA Board of Directors. Shawn Henderson will be nominated, and probably one other individual, at the annual meeting. Shawn Henderson will run for a two year term. The Slate of Officers and Directors will be:

#### **One Year Term as Officers:**

President: William "Biff" Atwater  
Vice President: John Convey  
Secretary: Terri Swanick  
Treasurer: Judy Hamilton

#### **Three Year Term as Directors:**

1. Brenda Adams  
2. Polly Bussiere  
3. Terry Hinkley  
4.

#### **Two Year Term as Directors:**

1. Jack Atwater  
2. Joe Cloonan  
3. Bill Gray  
4.

#### **One Year Term as Directors:**

1. Buzz Croston  
2. Terry Smith  
3. Leslie Boness  
4. Mike Poulin

### **Awards Committee**

Judy Hamilton stated we have 17 Eagle Members (member for 20 years). Eagle members will receive T-Shirts and certificates at the annual meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report will be submitted at the annual meeting.

### **Loons**

Daryl Boness stated that he and Buzz Croston did the official Loon count on July 21 the official Loon count for the Audubon Society. There were three Loons at the time, no eggs or chicks. Some members stated they have seen four and six Loons on the lake but no chicks.

### **Canton Beach Handrails for Granite Steps**

Jack Atwater investigated the cost for a handrail for the Canton Beach granite steps. An aluminum handrail would cost about \$700.00. For two handrails, \$1200 to \$1500. Holes will have to be drilled into the granite steps and some hardware is needed to install the handrails. Jack will seek additional information regarding the exact cost.

### **Liability Insurance**

John Convey contacted Gene McKeever of Allen Insurance in Camden, Maine representing the Philadelphia Insurance Company. The annual premium would be \$774.00 for legal unlimited liability of a million for each Officer and Director. John will check further on the unlimited legal expenses. John believes, per Gene McKeever, the legal defense is unlimited. We are buying legal services. John will bring a motion at the annual meeting.

### **Temporary Dam Status**

Judy Hamilton informed us that the temporary dam application was returned by the State indicating that only the dam owner has flowage rights to the lake.

Buzz Croston believes that all we need is a spillway - NO DAM. This would solve all our problems. This is better ecologically, for the level of the lake, loons, etc. However, we do not have legal power to install a spillway at this time.

### **Raffle Funds**

It was unanimously decided the raffle funds go to the LAA Dam fund.

### **Fish Screen Funds**

A motion will be made at the annual meeting to transfer the Fish Screen fund to the dam fund. Poly Bussiere will make a motion at the annual meeting to move the Fish Screen Funds to the Dam CORE Committee funds.

### **New Business**

Judy Hamilton has a petition from the CORE Committee stating how many times Mr. Fortier has been in violation of MEMA orders as well as the Canton Consent order of 1998. After stating the violations the residents of Canton and Hartford petition MEMA to access maximum fines allowed. Member's signatures will be requested at LakeDay and at the annual meeting regarding this petition. This petition will be posted on our web site. Judy would appreciate if the Board members would obtain signatures from other concerned parties.

### **Transfer of Funds to the CORE Committee**

When we know how the CORE Committee will appropriate the money and with the majority of approval from the CORE Committee then the LAA will decide, with the approval of the Board, what amount of money will be donated to the CORE Committee.

### **Donation Basket for Mike Ranhoff and Paul Bernier**

Judy Hamilton suggested we set up a basket with some envelopes and ask at the annual meeting if anybody would like to make a donation that they should feel free to do so. The LAA agreed to give Mike and Paul recognition for their efforts.

### **Proxy Votes**

Biff Atwater and Judy Hamilton will tabulate the Proxy Votes. 17 proxies were received. Colored cards will be handed out at the annual meeting to voting members.

**New Boat Ramp**

The LAA has no interest, at this time, in addressing the condition of the boat ramp.

**Annual Meeting**

Motions to be presented at the Annual Meeting:

Motion for Raffle Funds to LAA Dam Fund (announce)

Motion for Fish Screen Funds to LAA Dam Fund

Motion to Transfer Funds from LAA To CORE Fund?

Motion to Approve Liability Insurance

Motion for Officer/Board Slate

This meeting was held at John & Beth Convey's home at 75 Pine Shore Drive, Hartford and adjourned at 9:37 PM.

Beth Convey

Secretary