

**Notes of the LAA
Board Meeting March 27, 2015
Green Acres**

Mike Lara, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Noting there was no quorum, discussion followed about the advisability to hold a meeting at all. Members present were; Mike Lara, President, Biff Atwater, Secretary, Gary Dougherty, Treasurer, Shawn Henderson, Polly Bussiere, Leslie Boness. Diane Ray joined via Skype and an informal meeting proceeded.

Review of Prior Meetings tabled:

Treasurer's Review:

Gary Dougherty

As of Dec. 31, money received; dues \$190, unencumbered \$525, water quality \$20, dividends of \$6.72 and fund raising \$277 for total of \$1018.72. Dispersed; insurance \$642, annual report \$25, contributions \$100 and misc. admin \$58. *25 \$193.72

We have closed our dam fund. Need for a letter from Town of Canton regarding the dam fund was discussed to include statement that funds were used appropriately. Mr. Lara will draft a letter for the board to be sent to the Selectmen and have the letter read into the Town Minutes. Include the final amount of money raised.

Any new funds received will go toward recognition of donors in park.

Committee Reports

- Lake Smart
 - ❖ Maggie Shannon of LakeSmart visited Canton
 - ❖ Concern about water district property runoff
 - ❖ No barriers and no buffers on property
 - ❖ Letters to everyone along Lake Shore Drive
 - ❖ Start in June
 - ❖ Snail gathering will take place. Last year another 60 lbs. doesn't seem to be more but may at the Hartford Beach.
- Bulletin Boards and discussion
- Signage of "dam coming up"
- Channel Marking support available from State.
 - They will cover half the expense
 - State will assume cost of and all liability
- Sea Plane arrival and departure to be discussed at next meeting
- Membership cards. WMA has and will disperse in next newsletter
- Bricks and path in park.

Unfinished Business

(various)

- Summer Plans – Update
 - + Annual meeting to be Saturday NOT Sunday.
 - + Monkey golf at Green Acres? Clear desire must be displayed.
 - + Sailboat race, lighthouse tour, pancake breakfast, photo contest (amateur, lake photos only) local fishing tourney using only local boats.
 - + Photos could be used in a calendar. Have to release their use. Follow up with a committee?
 - + Ray family is having a gathering and we may be able to get them included.
 - + Yard Sale? Great idea but not on Annual Meeting Day.

- Newsletter
 - Mr. Atwater does it on his computer. Have 120 +/- printed. To be mailed to members only.
 - Annual meeting on the 8th of August.
 - Suggested some dates for board meeting.
 - Publicity – newsletter May 1st. Water bloom in Toledo caused by septic leakage. Use code enforcer?
Discussed how to handle septic on lake. Does / should LAA get involved. This is part of our mission to protect the lake.
 - Mike to write a couple articles for newsletter(send a couple articles)
 - Membership cards to be included.
 - Members as of December 31, 2014
 - Size is printed 11 x 17 folded to 8 ½ x 11, 4 or 8 pages
 - Paragraph about LakeSmart.

- History articles – Ms. Rothrock
 - Legacy items from local people to make display or history. Names of contacts suggested.
 - Bob Stevens a great source of Canton history.
 - Leslie will help connecting Liz, Jerry, Norm and others.

- **Board Responsibilities**

- ❖ Projects Chair people and board responsibilities
- ❖ Positions for new people, losing four off board and could use eight, four if all members re-up.
- ❖ Update chart will be distributed separately.
- ❖ Web-site committee will be Mr. Atwater, Mr. Dougherty and Mr. Lara. Discussion of our obligations regarding disclosure was held. Mr. Lara will determine minimum requirements.

Note: June Davis has died. Very supportive of Hartford Recreation and appreciative of LAA support for swimming lessons. Members agreed that Board need not vote to make the annual donation to Hartford in her name. Do we wish to do something more in her honor?

Respectfully submitted,

William M. Atwater
April 23, 2015