



September 17, 2023 LAA Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting commenced at:6:05 PM

In attendance: Biff Atwater, Wesley Barry, Tim Bernard, Robert Bihlmeyer, Bill Gray, Carolyn Gray, Mike McCluskey, Diane Ray, Tom Ryan. Absent: Paula Marsters, Judy Hamilton & Cyndi Phillips joined as organization members.

Minutes of the August 1, 2023 meeting was read: are: Mike McCluskey moved to accept the minutes as presented, Tom Ryan seconded; motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Town Newsletter updates -articles and advertising dates
 - Canton is between Deputy Clerks – not certain when next edition will go out, Hartford is all set
- Lake Smart – using the new submission system- get your property reviewed 😊
 - Three recently submitted
 - Tom Ryan requested a Lake Smart Assessment – others are in the queue
- Look into a ***Take your Trash with You*** signs
 - Tom will look into where to get the signs and permission to put them up, Diane will assist
- Tabled discussion: In Memorial donations
- Tabled discussion: Should we abolish membership dues and go with "donations" only?
- Federal non-Profit certificate
 - Wesley will pursue with the IRS

NEW BUSINESS

- Welcome new Board Members
 - Review of Board Member/Officer responsibility
 - Meeting schedule: Carolyn moved and Diane seconded that we accept the proposed schedule moving to Sunday evenings so most can attend.
- Election of Board Officers: Slate presented
 - Mike McCluskey – President
 - Tim Bernard - Vice President
 - Diane Ray Secretary/Treasurer
 - Bill Gray motioned, Carolyn & Rob seconded to accept the slate of officers presented by the nomination committee – motion passed
 - Desire is to move to 3-year terms with staggered end-times – will review vs. bylaws in the spring

- Treasurer’s Report – need signatories on the account- It was determined Wes Barry will be the second signatory on the account, Paperwork will commence.
- Lake Days Committee Report: All went extremely well, some discussion about sticking to the published timing in the future, bringing slip/slide closer to the group activities if we come back to the boat landing, cost of a band/DJ, etc. THANK YOU COMMITTEE for a great job!
- Committees for this year:
 - Membership Committee: Rob B, Judy H, Mary Beth VDH, Heidi M
 - Committee Report shared
 - Discussion re: membership committee with own email and switching from Gmail to an LAA specific domain – Wes will investigate via grants for non-profits.
 - Finance Committee: Bill Gray, Gary will support
 - Nominating Committee: TBD
 - Event/Fund Raising Committee? – Interested, move to new year
 - Lake Days Committee – Yes, assemble in the new year
 - 5-year Strategic Plan Committee? – Interested, move to new year
- By-laws discussion: Need a separate sub-group to review bylaws and make recommendations
 - Spending Authorization: How to raise these and word the authorizations to meet current fiscal needs? What by-law changes, if any, to proposed to membership?
 - Fiscal year: we have slid into July 1 to June 30 in order to have reports ready for Annual Meeting, It is suggested we align the calendar & by-laws.
 - Reminder: one-time authorization to elect officers at Board Meeting vs. Annual Meeting
- Watershed Mitigation – Round 2 Grant Discussion – input from Oxford County Soil & Water
 - Need to review and authorize/modify if needed Jeff Stern’s proposal
 - Need to decide on Sites
 - Timing is apply Spring 2024, if awarded, work would be in 2025 but need to line up commitments NOW

Bill motioned to adjourn, Mike seconded – Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Upcoming proposed Schedule

Proposed	Date
LAA Board Meeting	Sun Sept 17, 2023; 6pm
FALL NEWSLETTER	Nov 2023
LAA Board Meeting	Sun Dec 10, 2023, 6pm
TENTATIVE WINTER NEWSLETTER	DEC? 2023

LAA Board Meeting	Sun Feb 18, 2024, 6pm
SPRING NEWSLETTER	MARCH 2024
LAA Board Meeting	Sun Apr 14, 2024, 6pm
LAA Board Meeting	Sun June 9, 2024, 6pm?
SUMMER NEWSLETTER	JUNE 2024
Dog Days of Summer Board Meeting	Sun July 14, 2024, 6pm
LAKE DAYS	August 10, 2024
Annual Meeting	August 11, 2024, 9am?