



7/26/2020 LAA Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting commenced at 11:00 AM

In attendance were:

Tim Kirwan, Biff Atwater, Bill Gray, Carolyn Gray, Mike McCluskey, Mel Baron, Diane Ray

Minutes of 6/27/2020 board meeting were reviewed and approved. (Mike moved, Biff seconded)

Treasurer's report:

As of 7/26/2020 we had 45 paid members – Board Members should be sure to be paid up ☺

\$ 3551 .00 savings

\$ 795.00 checking

\$ 35.38 cash?

\$ 4381.38 total

Aquatic herbicides: The person dumping herbicides in the lake was notified of the error of his ways. An article on this topic was placed in the Hartford and Canton Newsletters and will be in the next LAA newsletter.

Wildlife update:

- The Audubon Loon count was completed and submitted – Thanks to all who participated.

Lake Days:

- Discussion was had about the following ideas:
 - Doc Dash – set up for Aug 15, 3-5 pm, people who agreed to be dock hosts will be provided signs and assistance with chachkis if needed. Notices to be posted on social media.
 - Virtual Annual Meeting – set up for Tuesday Sept 15, 4pm. Notices to be sent to members and posted on social media.
 - Annual Meeting presentations- If we go virtual we could get Tom Hamilton's presentation in advance and post it so it is accessible to everyone – website and as part of the meeting
 - Online Auction capabilities: Raffle to be set up for September 1 – September 15 on line. Diane to collect donated items, photos on line, can email your raffle choices (no. of tickets you wish on each item). Items to be posted on Canton, Hartford, LAA Facebook pages. Diane & Rick willing to collect, display items collect \$, tally tickets, etc.
 - Bylaws review of visibility requirements – have the bylaws available at next meeting for review of whether a virtual Annual Meeting is feasible

Nominations Committee:

- Bill, Polly, Liz – a slate of officers/board members for 2021 is available for the Annual Meeting.

Watershed Mitigation Grant:

- The Federal grant has been awarded – even ahead of Town Meeting confirmation of funds. Check with Jeff once the Hartford town meeting takes place to help finalize funds and work plan.

Supporting individual landowners in watershed mitigation efforts:

- Agreed that letters to individual property owners regarding the watershed survey results and direction on mitigation should go out – Diane to get the sheets ready (Judy's data base) and get board approval on the letters – tone to be friendly/non-judgmental - Looks great... little fixes; Challenges... big fixes. Diane has the sheets ready, just needs to get the letters out.

LAA Participation in Canton Bicentennial: ongoing Board conversation as we have agreed to participate.

- (last month notes for reference) Carolyn Gray has agreed, with Diane Ray's support to be LAA conduit to bicentennial efforts; Commitments center on offering pontoon boat rides on Sunday Afternoon with a coordinated, brief history/facts of the lake. More to be solidified in the next months. Printed lollipops, flyers, etc. are being researched, more cost to be presented in the near future

Canton – Budget Committee update: \$5,000 for watershed mitigation was approved, \$200 for testing support was also approved.

Hartford – Budget Committee update - \$10,000 request will be on the town warrant – Hartford town Meeting September 19th, Hartford Elementary, 9 AM

Code Enforcement Officer Status:

- Canton is again without a CEO; The Select Board are acting in that stead while a search is ongoing. Someone is being interviewed.
- Hartford – Interviews ongoing

Town Newsletter updates:

- Articles were submitted to both towns regarding overall lake news and defoliant regulations

LAA newsletter updates: August Newsletter will go out

Lake Smart – invite a neighbor:

- 3 new properties have been audited; more is needed ☺

Other New Business:

- Replanting requirements that are not met need to be submitted to the respective town offices

Next meeting: Tuesday September 8, 4PM via ZOOM

Meeting dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Ray
Secretary