

# Lake Parker Association (LPA) Annual Meeting

West Glover, Vermont

Saturday June 19, 2021

Meeting called to order at 9:12 a.m. by Brenda Plastridge, President with a welcome and a thank you to all attendees and also to Parker Pie for use of their outdoor space to conduct the annual meeting. There are currently 69 members in the LPA. There were 23 memberships in attendance as well as 1 written proxy vote which represent more than the 20% of membership needed for a quorum to hold the meeting. There were 39 individuals in attendance. The meeting date notice was posted on the Lake Parker Association (LPA) website on June 2, 2021 and e-mailed to members on June 10, 2021.

**Secretary's Report**—Copies of the minutes from August 8, 2020 annual meeting were provided in the packet of information. Brenda Plastridge stated that the minutes were reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors and posted to the LPA website.

A motion was made by Steve Cutler to approve the annual meeting minutes as presented and seconded by John Wooten. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**—Joyce Croteau, Treasurer mentioned the treasurer's report, profit and loss statement through June 18, 2021 provided in the packet of information and noted slight changes in interest once the June 2021 bank statements are received and a new expense this year to cover the redesign and update of current LPA website. Brenda Plastridge reviewed the process used to locate a website designer, gather information, and to update and launch the enhanced website. This will remain an ongoing project. See treasurer's report attached for financial information. A question was asked, "Is there a plan for the money in the checking account?" Brenda Plastridge explained reserve for potential lake protection projects, weed control, or in the event of an invasive species. Joyce Croteau covered expenses for lake protection such as membership to Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds FOVLAP ---- Clara Cutler spoke of need to be pro-active to prevent any invasive species.

A motion was made by Linda Alderton to approve the Treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Art Greenbaum. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:** (SEE ALL WRITTEN COMMITTEE REPORTS ATTACHED)

Highlights of:

**Boat and Water Safety:** Steve Cutler reminded all present that LPA board members are not safety enforcers, no authority to do so, and that he has observed lack of safety device with paddle boarders. He provided a reminder of the \$165.00 fine for not including a safety device on lake vessels and a request to educate guest and visitors to the lake.

**Membership:** Linda Alderton thanked all who worked on the information packets and requested to inform her of any known property transfers and she will provide LPA information

to new owners. Brenda Plastridge mentioned that the "Frequently Asked Questions" sheet was a compilation of concerns presented to LPA.

**Water Quality:** Mike Pierce covered 3 programs and has been working with Luke Hart, Invasive Plant Control Expert, Hardwick, VT mentioned the Larosa contributory and Ben Coppans map of incoming nutrients and Amy Picotte, from State of VT Lakewise Program. Mike will post on LPA website and requested call to action and volunteers required to collect the 6 water samples required from contributories also the assistance with paperwork for grant application. Brenda Plastridge mentioned the last meeting on site meeting with Ben Coppans and Misha Cetner from the State of VT was held September 27, 2019. Mention was made Lake Parker boat access area too small to support boat wash area and Clara Cutler talked about and recommended boats be brought to Shadow Lake Boat Washing station for cleaning. This will be added to our website.

**Fish and Wildlife:** John Wooten spoke of rainbow trout spring stocking followed by discussion regarding fish quantity in lake. John mentioned installation of loon nesting raft platform with Eric Hanson from VT Eco Studies and Randy Williams mentioned he has possession of the signage to place near nesting site.

**Recreation:** Tim Plastridge thanked those who had worked individually on walking path during 2020 and plans to organize a work day this summer. Tim expressed thanks to Mike and Pam Pierce for construction of 2 signs to be installed at each side of the walking path for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of LPA. Plans for a possible corn roast celebration and boat socials were mentioned.

**Old Business:** John Wooten spoke of wake boats restrictions on small lakes as the boats stir up sediment, produce waves dangerous to smaller crafts, kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards. John circulated and collected completed surveys and spoke of actual petition if enough interest. Mention of John Rodgers bill S69 which did not materialize.

**Nomination and election of officers:** Nominations committee consisting of Ken Kasz and Tim Plastridge presented the following nominations.

Vice President/2-year term/vacant

Secretary/2-year term/Joan Hudson

Current Vice President Matt Sheehan expressed not to renew VP again. Brenda Plastridge made a request for any nomination on the floor. No nominations received. A motion was made by Steve Cutler to approve the one nomination for Secretary and seconded by Joyce Croteau. Motion carried.

Appropriate action regarding Vice President vacancy will be taken care of by Board of Directors.

**New Business:** Ken Kasz covered annual photo contest and calendar. The 2022 calendar will consist of Best Photos from prior years and Ken and Brenda requested all to send in photos from on and around the lake, please see new website for photo submission information.

Proposed By-Law changes: (see attached proposed changes which were sent to all members prior to the meeting) Ken Kasz addressed the membership regarding the ten-day notice requirement prior to a vote to change the By-Laws. Notice for Annual Meeting was nine days prior. Joe Little made a motion to *Suspend the Rules* and allow the vote to amend the By-Laws. John Wooten seconded the motion to Suspend. The vote was unanimous, and the rules were suspended to allow a vote on amending the By-Laws to take place.

Ken and Brenda then reviewed the proposed changes consisting of date of annual meeting, place of annual meeting, delivery methods for notice of annual meeting and special meetings, and change of the Association's fiscal year. There was discussion on how and when changes would be in effect. The changes would be effective immediately with a vote in favor and the dues this year will end December 31<sup>st</sup>, with 2022 dues paid any time after Jan 1, 2022-December 31, 2022.

A motion was made by Ken Kasz to amend the By-Laws with the changes as presented and seconded by Steve Cutler. No additional discussion and Motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

Randy Williams covered the Glover Farmers Market held every Sunday 11am-2pm on the Glover green. Also, the Pioneer Day Camp is scheduled for June 28—July 2.

With this year being the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lake Parker Association gifts of appreciation were given to past presidents. Those in attendance were Randy Williams, Rick Blanchard, and Ken Kasz. John Washburn's gift will be given to his son at their camp. The Association also recognized 38 years of continuous service from Treasurer Joyce Croteau. Many door prizes consisting of LP mugs, LP hats, certificates from Parker Pie, Lake hand towels, etc. were also awarded.

**Adjournment-** A motion was made by Art Greenbaum and seconded by Joyce Croteau to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Hudson, Secretary

Minutes approved by Board of Directors at meeting on August 2, 2021