

LAKE PARKER ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. BOX 69, WEST GLOVER, VT 05875

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, JULY 11, 1998

The annual business meeting of the Lake Parker Association was held on Saturday, July 11, 1998 at the West Glover church. President Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. After welcoming members and explaining the agenda, he thanked Jeff Millette and Sharon Smith for supplying flowers for the tables.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted as was the treasurer's report - see attached report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS;

1) A letter from the Glover selectmen was read reminding camp-owners that if their electrical lines run through culverts, they must be removed in the fall.

2) Two letters from the Glover Ambulance Unit were read thanking the LPA for the generous donation last year.

There was no old business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership- Glenn Barber reported that 116 mailings were sent out in 1997 and 81 paid for membership. New members include Roland & Tessie Cote #56, Regine & Francois Richard #102, Deb & Gene Kaslo #43A, Don & Harriet King, Bill & Sue Tester, Glenn & Bev LaFont, Warren & Tara Tyler, Merle Young Sr. In 1998, there were 118 mailings with 57 paid members to date.

Fishing: Glenn Barber reported 1000 rainbow trout had been stocked in the lake averaging 10.9 inches.

Boat Access & Beautification: George Young and Joann Velandar have planted flowers at the access while Bob Johnson and Glenn Barber have supplied railroad ties, gravel, and manure. The correctional facility in Newport is supposed to mow. A picnic table was built last year with materials and labor supplied by the LPA.

Home Security - Joyce Littlefield reported 1 camp had been broken into. She reminded camp-owners to read the suggestions in the recent newsletter and to keep watch over neighboring camps.

Land Use & Conservation: Madeleine Ducham gave an up-date on the watershed survey. Both the shoreline and in-lake parts have been completed. The survey should be completed this summer with 16 volunteers looking at roads, streams and land use. Already we are seeing things that can be done to help keep pollution down. Information can be obtained from Madeleine on the various aspects of the survey. Madeleine has made contact with experts who might be able to help some of our problems. Next Tuesday, July 14, an advisor will be walking down the east side of the lake with her and others to look at problem areas. Bob Johnson reminded People of the various pamphlets etc. on a side table explaining how to plant buffer strips etc.

Weed Harvesting - Jeff Millette thanked those who have harvested. Both the trailer and cutter need some work done on them. Ernie Lord was thanked for his work and help in servicing them. Volunteers are needed to help cut weeds. Glenn Barber will give instruction on using the weed machine. Record sheets are kept at Jeff's and those raking up weeds and those using the machine must keep track of the time used for each. If anyone is unable to rake weeds, please call Glenn or Jeff.

Water Quality - Bob Richards noted that the quality of the lake water was low last year mainly due to the flooding. There was moderate algae. The average clarity depth was 2.7 meters. Our recent fish kill has been caused by a bacterial infection which is natural. The fish are all right and people are not to worry about this.

Boat & Water Safety - John Washburn reported that 4 from Lake Parker took a course on boat safety and are now qualified to teach the course to all those interested and to all those born after January 1, 1974. A course was set up but no one signed up for it. Boat regulations sheet available on the table.

Bob Johnson noted that the spring "Ice-Out" contest had only 27 entries. \$81. was collected with half going to the winner. It was agreed to have the contest again next spring.

Beryl Adams wrote a grant request to the Better Back Roads. We received a \$2000 grant to be used for road/culvert improvement at the northwest area of the lake. A 5-year plan is to be drawn up in the future and a grant applied for it. We have received a \$600 watershed grant also.

LakeFEST '98 - Lake Parker is sponsoring several activities during LakeFEST week (July 18-26). A Poster Contest for all Glover children and lake children in grades kindergarten through 8th grade is being held with the theme being "Protect Our Lakes". The posters will be displayed in Glover Town Hall on July 25th. On July 21st an Aquatic Nuisance Species Workshop will be held at the Glover Town Hall hosted by the Shadow Lake Association. On July 23rd a Watershed Management Workshop will be held at Lake Morey with our own Madeleine Ducham as a presenter. On July 27th the Maple Leaf Seven - Dixieland Band will be circling the lake and then giving a concert at the access afterward. All lake residents and any from Glover have been invited to be a part of the "grill-out". We will be selling LakeFEST T-shirts for \$12.

Randy Williams thanked the LPA for the donation last year. There are 20 members of the squad who also do service work. A CPR course will be offered in the future. Since the ambulance squad is now separated from the fire department, they are being forced to move from their present location. The town will be giving the old West Glover shed which the ambulance unit will have to renovate before using. Randy reminded us all to make sure our camp numbers are visible to all emergency vehicles. The unit will be having a bake sale on Glover Day and will be selling

to the Ambulance Squad

T-shirts.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made, seconded and passed to raise LPA dues from \$10. to \$15 effective 1999.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to amend ARTICLE IV, Section 6 to read "With the approval of both the President and the Treasurer, any single expenditure may not exceed four hundred dollars in any fiscal year."

A motion was made and seconded to donate \$200 each to the ambulance unit and the fire department. This motion was amended and the amendment was approved to donate \$200 to the fire dept. and \$1000 to the ambulance unit.

Betsy Day reported that the loon nesting platform was unused but the biologist has told us that a platform is not used the first year it is put out. Betsy said there will be a loon count on Saturday, July 18th between 8 and 9 AM.

Dr. Ray Griffin told us that there was a double-crested cormorant and a greater black-back gull spotted in the lake area. He offered help to anyone who spots a bird they are unable to identify.

In closing, we were treated to the video-tape Randy Williams has made for LakeFEST.

Adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Washburn
Lynn Washburn, Secretary