

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

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING, JULY 8, 2000

The annual business meeting of the LPA was held on Sat., July 8, 2000 at the West Glover Church with approx. 60 people attending. President Bob Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM. Officers were introduced along with the following new members: Diane Barnes, Camp #2; Bob Gregory, Camps 11 & 12, and other new members from last year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bob J. thanked Glenn Barber & Jeff Millette for setting up tables; Sharon Smith & Joyce Littlefield for flower arrangements; Madeleine & Ron Ducham for getting and setting the trees.
- Thank you notes from the Glover Ambulance Squad and Fire Dept., for our donations last year were read. Literature was placed on the table.
- There now is a LPA bulletin board at the Lake Parker Country Store, constructed and installed by Ernie Lord. Members were asked to check frequently for LPA news.
- On April 19, 2000, in Boston, the LPA was one of 37 organizations who received an EPA Environmental Merit Award for lake protection work.
- The Dixieland Band Concert celebrating LakeFEST 2000 will be on Sun., July 30th, at 1 PM at the boat access.
- Eurasian Milfoil has been found in Derby & Clyde Ponds, in Derby. Members are reminded to keep watch for any in Lake Parker.
- On Sat., Aug 19th, at 6 PM, Bob J. will have a cook-out at his camp for those interested in hearing Neil Kammen, a state environmental scientist, talk on special water testing at Lake Parker.
- LPA workdays will be on Sat., July 15th & 22nd. Glenn B. reported that Caulkins will drop off rip-rap rock at designated places.
- Bob J. has grass seed & mulch hay in his garage for those who wish to seed a ditch or bare area near the lake.

Last year's minutes were included in the recent newsletter, and were adopted as printed.

Treasurer Joyce Croteau gave the treasurer's report which was approved. Much of the money in the treasury is from grants. We also have committed money to help farmers from our water quality donations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership- Glenn Barber announced that two of our members, Maurice Souliere and Leon Waskiewicz had passed away.

Water Quality- Bob Richards reported that the Secchi disk measured 5 meters earlier in the spring but now measured 2 1/2 meters due to the abundance of rain. The state tested a bass taken from the lake for mercury and found none. However, they estimated that the bass was about 28 years old.

Weed Harvesting - Ernie Lord reported that extensive work has been done on the weed machine. The Parkview Garage helped with many of the repairs. There is now a sign attached to the weed machine noting the areas on the lake where weeds are not to be cut due to a rare plant which grows in these areas. Everyone was reminded to wear life jackets at all times while on the weed machine. We hope to get back 60% of the money we put in for from the state for weed harvesting. We must keep track of time cutting and raking weeds as well as expenses incurred as we are audited. We also must have a map showing where weeds are being dumped.

Fishing - 600 rainbow trout were stocked in the lake this spring.

Boat & Water Safety - John W. reminded all to keep life jackets on board all boats for all passengers. They should be worn when in kayaks and canoes. It is possible to take the VT Boating Safety Course through the Internet. Any boat using any kind of a motor must be registered.

Grant Writing - Beryl Adams has written grants providing us with ample amounts of money to use.

Land Use & Conservation - Madeleine Ducham presented a short video on buffer strip vegetation. Afterwards, Madeleine said the LPA will provide vegetation to property owners - she has a list of appropriate vegetation and would appreciate it if requests be given to her by next week. The matching funds and grant money will be used for this. This vegetation must be used for shoreline & stream only. Cedar seedlings & grass seed were available at the meeting for members to plant on their property. On Sat., Sept 9th, there will be a workday for planting willow buffer strips on the south end of the lake by the road. Colleen Lord offered to organize the volunteers. Sharon Smith offered iris to members and George Young offered Siberian Iris.

Bob J. read a ZYN award letter to Madeleine. This award is given by the Plant & Animal Defense Assoc. Madeleine thanked John Urie for all his help with our various projects.

Walking Path - Frank Davio reported the south end of the path was under water. A discussion followed concerning changes to the path at the south end. This will be looked into as well as contacting the Youth Conservation Corp as to what help they could be to us. Beryl Adams has obtained a \$332 License Plate Conservation Grant for the path. None of the \$500 allocated last year for the path has been spent.

Old Business - Maps were available to members. Cost was \$229. Joyce Croteau & Beryl Adams were thanked for their part. Bob Richards reported that the dry hydrants for the lake were due to be put in this summer.

New Business - A motion was made & seconded & passed to donate \$500 each to the Glover Fire and Glover Ambulance Squads. \$50 will be donated to the Orleans Fair Assoc., for allowing storage of the weed harvesting machine. Randy Williams again explained the 911 procedure. Both camp & 911 street numbers should be displayed at each camp. The Glover town clerk has the 911 street numbers.

Glover Day is Sat., July 29th. There will be work days for the ambulance unit.

A motion was made & seconded for the LPA to make a donation in support of the Lone Tree Hill July 4th fireworks. After a discussion, the motion failed to pass. However, individuals may make their own donations through Barbara Buchanan at the L.P. Store.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynn Washburn, Secretary