

Lake Parker Association (LPA) Annual Meeting

West Glover, Vermont

Saturday July 9, 2022

Meeting called to order at 9:16 a.m. by Brenda Plastridge, President with a welcome and a thank you to all attendees. There are currently 60 members in the LPA and 1 associate member. There were 20 memberships in attendance which represents more than the 20% of membership needed for a quorum to hold the meeting. There were 30 individuals in attendance. The meeting notice was posted on the Lake Parker Association (LPA) website on June 6 and e-mailed to members on June 28th, satisfying the notice requirement.

Secretary's Report—Copies of the minutes from the June 19, 2021 annual meeting also the Special Meeting held on August 21, 2021 on phragmites were provided in the packet of information. Brenda Plastridge stated that the minutes had been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors and posted to the LPA website.

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

Treasurer's Report—Joyce Croteau mentioned the change in reporting period to a calendar year. She then reviewed the Profit and Loss Statement for period January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022, which was included with the Balance Statement in the packet of information handed out.

A motion was made by Steve Cutler to approve the Treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Joe Laferriere. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: (SEE ALL WRITTEN COMMITTEE REPORTS ATTACHED)

Highlights of:

Boat and Water Safety: Steve Cutler shared observations of safety devices with paddle boarders. He included some creative ideas for promoting use of a safety device on lake vessels and a request to members to educate guest and visitors to the lake.

Membership: Linda Alderton requested attendees promote membership and reach out to neighbors, as only 75% of lakeshore property owners and a small percentage of off lake property owners are members.

Water Quality: Mike Pierce shared that Lake Parker is participating in the LaRosa Partnership Program and he has been collecting water samples required from tributaries to test for nitrogen and phosphorus. Mike plans to reach out to property owners where phragmites will be treated this fall by Luke Hardt.

Fish and Wildlife: John Wooten shared that 904 rainbow trout stocked in the lake and the loon nesting raft platform was installed which the loons have not nested on therefore time to remove the raft and loon signs; no loon nest this year.

John Wooten provided an update on the wake boat petition and shared that Lake Parker area response was great in signing the petition and well represented at the 2 recently held public meeting. John mentioned that the VT Agency of Natural Resources deadline to accept letters of petition support is July 29.

Recreation: Tim Plastridge thanked those who had worked on maintenance of the walking path, with special thanks to Steve Cutler. Tim plans to organize a Walking Path work day July 23rd and a boat social on August 20.

Old Business: Brenda thanked Art and Sue Greenbaum for hosting Green Up Day May 7. All went well and reported less trash collected from prior years.

Brenda covered need for volunteers and sign up area on annual membership form.

Nomination and election of officers: Nominations committee consisting of Linda Alderton, Ken Kasz and Tim Plastridge. Tim presented a slate of nominees. When nominations were requested for from members, Joyce Croteau nominated Tim Plastridge, seconded by Steve Cutler to fill the 1 year term for Vice President. Tim agreed and since there were no other nominations the below were presented:

President/2 year term -- Brenda Plastridge

Vice President/1 year term – Tim Plastridge

Treasurer/2 year term ---Joyce Croteau

Committee Chairs:

Boat and Water safety/2 year term– Steve Cutler

Membership/2 year term – Linda Alderton

Water Quality/2 year term – Mike Pierce

Fish and Wildlife/2 year term – John Wooten

Recreation/2 year term – Tim Plastridge

A motion was made by Joyce Croteau to accept the nomination list as presented with the addition of Tim Plastridge for Vice President and seconded by Steve Cutler. Motion carried.

New Business: Brenda Plastridge introduced Sarah Damsell, Orleans County NRCD Manager with the Orleans County Conservation District who provided an overview of Basin 17 Basin Plan for Memphremagog.

Randy Williams mentioned a watershed survey was done in past. Also Mike Pierce will be working closely with Sarah Damsell in the future.

Ken Kasz covered annual photo contest and calendar. He covered the expense increase in providing the calendar, mostly due to production and shipping cost. The net donation for two non-consecutive years (no calendar in 2021) was \$522.00. Ken welcomed photo submissions with a reminder that photos are the focus of the calendar.

Other New Business: Brenda Plastridge covered the Lake Parker Association status of 501(c)(4) and how it compares to a 501(c)(3). Brenda explained that after research she located a letter from the Internal Revenue Service stating that we were a 501(c)(4) dated February 18, 1972. There was also a letter dated July 8, 1985 where Gerald Anderson, LPA President responded to a camp owner's offer to gift/give real property to LPA for a tax deduction and LPA turned down the offer due to the fact that if they accepted they would lose the 501(c)(4) tax status. Brenda reminded attendees that monetary donations to Lake Parker Association are not tax deductible.

Randy Williams covered ambulance service and referred attendees to the website. Ambulance membership forms were available at the meeting.

Tim Plastridge introduced and welcomed new members on the lake that were in attendance, Bob and Kim Saunders.

Adjournment- A motion was made by Tim Plastridge and seconded by Steve Cutler to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Hudson, Secretary

Minutes approved by Board of Directors at a meeting on August 3, 2022.