Lake & Lake Reclamation Committee

June 3, 2021

Start time: 7:30pm

Attendees: Barry Silbiger, Mike Lynch, Joanne Machalaba, Mike Stocknoff, John Leonard, Scott Rothbart, JJ O’Connor, Roger Crook, Tom Alameda, Josh Kroll, Peter Hestevold, Bill Malzahn, Mike Freedman, Mary Finckenor, Jerry Schwartz, Charlie Bogusat, Bob Fehon, Richard Sedivec

Old Business:

* Approve May minutes
  + Unanimously approved.
* Craft Show: Lake committee had a table
  + The lake committee will be present for Festival Day (Saturday and Sunday) and a float in the parade
  + JJ – Joanne have volunteered for the festival day table, more volunteers are required. Please reach out to Mike, Barry or Joanne to volunteer.
* Certificate of appreciation – Friend of the Lake
  + Nominated Bill Blender for his actions in helping the person on the overturned boat– Nominated by JJ O’Connor
* Dock lights installation status
  + All Installed – We will need more for the new sections and a few spares in case of failures.
* Beach three pump progress status update
  + Pump is much quieter with the sound attenuation, less than half the noise. Although only 1 pump is currently operational.
  + The hoses have been moved so they are parallel to the shoreline and we will need to monitor the flow to ensure it is working as intended.
* Update on new dock section
  + Kurt called custom dock and was informed they are being currently being built. We expect the docks to be delivery by June 11th. Once they are delivered the numbers will need to be installed and coordination will be required to have move boats so the new sections can be installed.
* Update from the Fishing club on the survey form
  + Private creel study – No action on how they will let people know about the form. This is an action they are requested to must complete
  + $300 fishing club award line eliminated in 2020. Look at reinstating next year as there will be a festival day contest again with prizes.
* Updates about watershed study (if any) / COLA meeting
  + Ringwood study already completed and available online.
  + DEP waterflow meter is no longer in use according to the DEP since Tilcon is not diverting water any longer. Charlie and Joanne are the WML representatives for the grant study. WML should have the water flow meter reinstalled to monitor the water flow since the brook is responsible for over 70% of the water source for the lake. Joanne will talk with Chris from PH to see if subsequent grant money can be used to buy a flow meter. If funds from the grant cannot be used for the purchase of the meter, Charlie believes WML should push for DEP to pay for it. Either way Charlie will get a quote for a meter in case WML needs to pay for the meter.
* Boat Registration sub-committee update
  + Preregistration for a gauge of the next years demand
  + Discussed different way to solve the overnight problem.
  + No dues to be paid the day of registration to help speed the lines

New Business:

* 2022 Budget discussions – August 5th budget set – Board on August 18th, Sept 8, Oct 10 second meeting
  + New bulkhead / docks – Pricing for new bulkhead (Charlie) Placed between the A dock and the bleachers
  + Kayak Racks – Some like the new ones, some don’t as the top level is slightly higher than the original ones. If members have issues with the top slot the idea to ask for volunteers to swap via POA page was proposed. Additional space will be needed in 2022 since there are no available spots left for this season.
  + Fish stocking
  + Maintenance costs
  + Other idea
* Northern Lights lake cleanup proposal and estimate
  + Jason of NL proposed to Charlie that WML should rent his barge to dry the material and have us do the raking. Each 11ft. rake costs $164
  + Weeds were bad especially in the beach 3 area prior to treatment from SLM and props were being fouled. Mike L. surveyed the area this week and his prop was no longer getting fouled.
* Social media complaints. The process should be to direct the member to call the office who can get them in touch with a chairperson.
* Newsletter articles – Fishing club will have an article.
* Proposal to have Facebook update on the POA page about basic lake conditions and direct them to one of the chairs if they want more detailed information.
* Lake Rule enforcement
  + Adding safety issues and not add additional items. Enforcement is the issue.
  + Security – Beach – Lake -Legal & By-Laws to meet and discuss
* What happens if someone leaves the boat until the fines exceed the value of the boat? One gentleman emailed that his paddleboard is not worth the fine. Committee decision to adhere to the current guidelines as making exceptions is not a good practice.
* Fishing locations were questioned. The locations are published in the newsletter,
* Boating Safety course moved to offsite.
* A member questioned if glass was allowed on the beaches, he was directed to the beach committee as the right resource for that question.

8:45pm motion to adjourn: T. Alameda, Seconded: M. Lynch

Minutes: Barry Silbiger

Co-Chairs: Mike Lynch and Barry Silbiger

Approved: Joanne Machalaba - OIC