

KLPA Board Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2024

Minutes

Present: Phil DeConinck, Claudia Zent, Jerry Cooper, Steve Dolan, Lori DeConinck.

Absent: Theresa Quinn, Samantha Morris, Lou Senator, Danielle Dulchinos

Minutes of last meeting (read prior to meeting) unanimously accepted.

Brief discussion of concerns regarding the AirBNB at 15 Sandy Beach and problems with the owners. Jerry stated that owners are required to register with the town, but the problem is enforcement.

Lake Host Update – Claudia: Jake/Jack is not interested in returning. Claudia has been in touch with Kat Kelleher – asked if she has a poster or something to send to colleges (no). Claudia has spoken to the head of the Earth Sciences department at Colby Sawyer College (Nick Baer). Claudia will forward info to him on the 19th (when the application process opens). Claudia has posted the QR code. Last year the host was paid \$18/hr. Claudia suggested \$20/hr. for the upcoming summer. Gerry vehemently objected. Pay will remain at \$18/hr. Claudia has written an intro with a contact phone number. Lori suggested having a backup host – Claudia will check with Kat on that. Claudia inquired whether we want to invite the lake host to a Board meeting – it was agreed that we would all introduce ourselves.

Jerry commented that there were 4 loons (2 pair) on the lake today, fighting.

Loon Tour Update – Claudia: the loon tour will take place 6-12-24 at 6:00 pm. Steve will contact Jim Bednar to add it to the Historical Society's calendar. There is a \$100 honorarium for the tour guide.

Update on newsletter and communications plan – Steve shared a copy of his newsletter. Jerry has reset the MailChimp password. Jerry suggested including info on the launch of the loon raft and tour in the newsletter – Steve will add to upcoming events. Claudia suggested info on the upcoming Lakes Congress as well. Steve suggested that perhaps Danielle could write something about the Weed Watcher program.

Dues letter draft – Jerry will take care of it. We want to get the newsletter out first before asking for dues. PayPal takes a 3% fee unless the payee chooses to cover that fee. 3-4 days after the newsletter letter goes out, the dues letter will be sent.

Update on Weed Watchers program – Danielle will send an update to Lori. Update not received in time due to confusion as to when the meeting was held.

Jerry stated that he wants the lake surveyed again this summer (August 31).

Discussion was held regarding whether to have 1 annual meeting or two. Most preferred two: one on July 6 and the other at the end of summer. Suggestions for speakers included Andrea LaMoreau, President and Policy Advocate from NH Lakes and Teriko McConnell, who runs the lab at CSC (603-526-3486) and works for LSPA. No decision was reached. Steve mentioned that the VLAP report is online.

Discussion on MailChimp: Steve reported that there are currently 115 people on MailChimp. MailChimp password is 779@Ma!! (read carefully – that’s an exclamation mark in there!). Jerry would like a map of the lake and its owners.

Discuss next steps for watershed plan - now referred to as the ‘Watershed Water Analysis’.

Next Thursday Steve will MailChimp dues notice.

Claudia reported that 200 – 250 brown trout were stocked in the lake today, near the banjo player’s house.

Steve has done a great job updating the website – he and Jerry will work together on history. Links still need to be added.

The board was asked to pencil in upcoming meetings – 3rd Thursday every month = May 16, June 20, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori