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Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 3, 2021
Virtual Meeting
7:30pm

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman S. Young called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Members Present: Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, 2nd Vice Chairman J. Forlenzo, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Ginnetty, M. Digirolamo, B. Piepho, S. Lee, J. Curren, and C. Read

Absent Members: J. Pinkos, V. Young, B. Waslenko, R. Johnson, D. Lathrop, B. Rodgers, and J. Munno

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by J. Ginnetty to approve the LLA July 6, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: R. White and A. Woerner, Friends of the Lake

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young stated he received phone calls regarding the high water events that occurred this month. J. Ginnetty stated that 25+ new people inquired how to receive information regarding water levels because of activity that took place. Sign up is required for text messages and emails.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Chairman S. Young stated that he went on a second debris tour with First Light & Power. It was possible to visibly see debris that was fully/partially submerged. ¼ way down as far as lake level went to get boat out in the water can see into the shoreline some debris fully/partially submerged. Many large trees have been tied up to the back side of Poison Ivy Island or just below Addis Park. Trees will be collected and brought to Addis Park remove via log truck. Chairman S. Young also stated that new equipment has been installed at the shed. The contractor had issues with the generator, but has managed to figure it out. Completion should be by the end of the week.

During the second debris tour, our two anchors were recovered that were lost quite some time ago. They were not part of our inventory, but now are. He also stated that there is a problem with 1 lost buoy upstream of the gorge.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti gave the members an update on the Marine Patrol Report (prepared by Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi) for the month of July 2021 as follows;

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: 2nd Vice Chairman J. Forlenzo stated that is he waiting for the publication of who received the AIS Grants.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner stated that Bridgewater has paid their Town contribution. He also stated that he received the First Light Contribution check. Treasurer B. Woerner reported that there was an overpayment on the insurances and the insurance has reimbursed the monies.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Vacancies – Brookfield-1

NEW BUSINESS:

FOTL Anniversary Party – August 12, 2021, 6:30-8:30pm – All LLA members are invited.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GRANT COMMITTEE: No report for this month.

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: J. Curren stated that Matt from New England Aquatic removed a considerable amount of water chestnuts last week. The contractor removed 110 bags which equates to 220 5-gallon buckets. The amount of water chestnuts has increased from last year.

R. White, Friends of the Lake, gave an update on the AIS Grant. She stated that no funds have been received as of this date. The contracts had to be re-written due to new changes in the law. FOTL will use these monies towards next year's efforts.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: No report for this month.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: No report for this month.

BOATING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE: 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti gave the members the July 2021 Patrol Report as follows:

Currently there are 11 officers and 9 assistants for 2021. One marine patrol boat is in service and available. The other two boats are out for repair. 585 man hours were documented for patrol functions. 5 patrol shifts were cancelled due to issues with the boats and inclement weather. Patrol had 65 contacts with vessels, campers, and swimmers and which resulted in 20 verbal warnings and 16 inspections for life jackets. There were 32 documented boater assists. Patrol located sunken vessel and the owner was located. One fishing kayak was recovered and returned to its owner.

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FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE: B. Piepho stated in May he reported that Minnesota Muskies was going to have Tiger Muskies available. B. Piepho will delegate C. Read reach out for a firmer commitment and write in a potential delivery date of November or December.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: The LLA members were in agreement to hold their monthly meetings via Zoom. The public is invited to view, via Zoom, our monthly meetings. Chairman S. Young stated that if any member knows of anyone who would be interested in being a part of the LLA meetings please extend an invitation as well as the Zoom link.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by 2nd Vice Chairman J. Forlenzo, seconded by M. Digirolamo, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.