

Lamoka-Waneta Lakes Association – Board of Directors Meeting

July 20, 2019

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President, Jay White

Present: Kurt Bischoff, Cartha Conklin, Sean Fitzpatrick, Rick Game, Al Gerth, Claud Gingrich, Gary Gray, Bill Hassoldt, Corinne Julian, Kevin Morris, Chuck Rybak, Gordon Shafer, Ed Sharpe, Carolee Thatcher, Mary Kay Tucker, Tom Webb, Jay White

Absent: Terry Allison, Patrick Allison, Calvin Barnstead, Al Buckland, Ron Dixon, Terry Fisk, Heidi Gerth, Dene Karaus, Wayne Lynch, Barry Pappas, Joan Rybak, Ray Stebbins, Paula Wright

Guest: Patty Gray

Minutes of the June 22, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting was approved as presented.

President's Report:

Jay is hoping the Nitrate & Phosphate Study the Environmental Committee is doing, will show the data for the need to drive the Town of Wayne and Tyrone to apply for a joint septic and water grant. He has heard a variety of stories about septic tanks that are not working properly and ends up dumping into our lakes. Someone reported that there was a dock on Red Bank Island that is owned by NYSEG. It was later reported that the dock was temporarily placed there for a wedding that afternoon and would be removed after the wedding.

Vice President/Membership Report: Corinne reported for Bill, who has been on vacation, Membership is at 56.5% which is up 2.5% from last year. We seem to consistently increase 2% a year.

Treasurer's Report: Corinne presented the LWLA Balance Sheet as of July 20, 2019

Checking Account Balance-- \$2,672.79

Savings Account Balance-- \$33,848.99

Total Checking/Savings--\$36,521.78

Total Fixed Assets -- \$7,363.58

Corinne mentioned that Membership Dues of \$80 was from New Members who recently purchased property on the lake and are very much interested in knowing what is going on. A Check for \$104.27 was to pay for the Banner for the Gary Light Memorial Breakfast. Terry was kind enough to have the banner designed and made so it will always be displayed at the August Gary Light Memorial Breakfast. It is in memory of Gary who started the pancake breakfast to join the two lakes together at an event where people could meet and enjoy a meal.

Corinne also gave Petty Cash to Cartha who collects the money at the Pancake Breakfast and Chuck who is in charge of the LWLA clothing sales at the breakfast.

Treasurer's report unanimously approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lake Treatment: Gordon reported the treatment took place on June 25, 2019 on Lamoka Lake. Gordon took a sample the day after treatment; however, he was never told we could not use the same plastic containers for sampling that we had used in previous years. There were 5 members from Solitude and 2 DEC members

present at the treatment and no one mentioned that the samples needed to be in glass containers. So the first samples were no good. Solitude brought new containers on the following Tuesday and did take samples. Due to the holiday and the weekend we did not receive data back for two weeks. At that time it showed the treatment was already at one part per billion. Solitude is scheduled to come back and look at the weeds. Gordon's observation of the weeds is that native plants (coon tail, southern nyad) are ok and the milfoil has seemed to have disappeared. From the observation it looks like ProcellaCOR targeted the area and actually "stuck" where sprayed.

Jay mentioned that he has not received any weed complaints.

Members asked if we had any response from those people who fish. Some members said they have heard some complaints that they are catching less. Kurt responded that his son is a bass fisher and has noted less weed, and also said one of the reason for seeing less fish is because water temperature and less weed cover for bait fish

Jay asked if anyone has contacted the Fishing Tournament Coordinators to ask if they would include an extra \$1- \$2 to their entry fee to donate to the LWLA for the lake treatment and perhaps the work on the canal. No one had contacted anyone so Jay will follow up.

LWLA Membership Dues for 1st Time Members: Sean reported that very few places are exchanging hands and those properties that are on the market go extremely fast. He suggested that because there were such a few number of new property owners he would be willing to reach out to the agent and pass along the information. Sean asked if someone was willing to draft a welcoming letter from the LWLA listing the officers, key events, and website and perhaps if we had extra magnets we could include it with the letter. Sean recommended that if the property was purchased before July 4th the member would be given free membership for that year. If the property was purchased after Labor Day the membership would be free the following year. Corinne reported that we already credit any membership dues coming in November & December are credited for the upcoming year.

MOTION: Sean made the motion that first time lake property purchased after Labor Day would qualify for the following year free LWLA Membership. First time lake property purchased before Labor Day would qualify for LWLA Membership for the remaining calendar year.

Second by Ed

17 Yes 1 No

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Boater & Jet Ski Safety—Kurt mentioned at the last meeting and Gordon brought it up at this meeting that some people on the lakes are not abiding or not aware of the boating and Jet Ski laws. Kurt mentioned that he observed jet skiers that their speed was excessive for being too close to shore. He approached the two women who were with the skiers and explained the proper speed for a jet ski when close to shore. They apologized and said they were not aware of the law. Gordon shared that he and his cousin, who writes and teaches the laws of safe boating and jet skis, that they observed almost 50 infractions within an hour of watching from shore. EX: A Jet Ski must seat 3 people in order to pull an individual in a tube.

Gordon suggested that perhaps we would like to add a condensed or bulleted item of Boater and Jet Ski Safety to our website. Gordon's cousin David is willing to provide 4-5 one sentence versions of rules and regulations to help refresh our memories from our boater education, starting with the ones of most impact on our lakes. He will also provide the reference that will be included with the posting. Additional postings may be added every week or two. We might also want to consider adding these postings to our Facebook Page.

The information will be sent to Mary Tucker and she will pass it on to our webmaster for posting on the website.

Board Members suggested that Gordon invite his cousin to both the upcoming Fall Public Meeting and the Spring Public Meeting to speak on Boater and Jet Ski safety.

Committee Reports:

Clothing: Chuck reported he sent the registered letter requesting the \$566 credit be returned to LWLA. She responded that she would make it up to us. Chuck requested she simply send the LWLA a check for \$566. He will continue to follow up and get back to the Board.

Environmental Impacts: Barry absent – No Report

Golf Tournament: Gary reported that the July 13th Tournament was a success and all Teams walked away winners. Gary distributed money in a reverse method. Each team member received a portion of the winnings. Gary also mentioned that he is hoping that next year he will be stepping down as chair of the Golf Tournament and is looking for someone to take over. There was no immediate response from Board Members and it was suggested that it be brought up at the Fall Public Meeting to see if someone in the Association would like to take it over.

Gary shared a photo of the sign for the LWLA hole sponsorship at the first annual Tyrone Masonic Lodge.

Goose Control: Kevin reported there are 10 people on the permit and as of this date no one has reported any shootings.

Lake Level: Rick reported we were at 1098.6, gates closed, and two logs added at the time of treatment. We then went to 1098.5 and remained steady so there was very little run off after treatment. Currently we are at 1098.9 with one log removed.

Lake Testing: No report – Ron Absent

Pancake Breakfast: Ed reported that everything is falling into place. Jean Gramkee Hubsch will help with advertising; Carolee is taking charge of the servers, Al will be delivering the eggs on Friday around three, Kurt & Al have volunteered to again help with cooking bacon, Ed's wife is wrapping the silverware at home, Cartha offered to help. Set up for the Pancake Breakfast will be on Friday, August 2nd at 3:00 for anyone interested in helping out. Clean up does not have a committee because each year anyone who is there tends to lend a hand. Terry has the banner of Gary Light to be displayed at the Gary Light Memorial Pancake Breakfast.

Ed asked what was decided on the price of the Pancake Breakfast this year. Currently the price is \$6, but in checking the other Pancake Breakfast prices it was determined the established price is \$7. It was agreed that

this year the price of the Gary Light Memorial Pancake Breakfast would be \$7 per person with children under 5 free.

Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality Reps: Cartha reported that last week she participated in the Water Quality Committee of the Finger Lakes PRISM and went to Hanson Gravel Pit (located above Burdett) and pulled about 100 lbs. of water chestnut. The reason they went to the Gravel Pit is because it dumps directly into Seneca Lake. She encouraged other members to get involved it was fun and rewarding.

Next meeting is Thursday, July 25th.

Kurt shared that he is spending less and less time at the lake and will not be able to continue to be the representative for the Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality Committee.

No one present agreed to step forward.

The vacancy will be brought up at the Fall Public Meeting to see if someone from the Association would be interested in being a representative.

Other Business: There being no other business the meeting closed by a motion from Corinne and seconded by Carolee at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Tucker, LWLA Secretary