

## **Lamoka-Waneta Lakes Association – Board of Directors Meeting**

**June 19, 2021—Tyrone Town Hall**

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 A.M. by President Jay White. The following members were present: Terry Allison, Calvin Barnstead, Cartha Conklin, Dennis Fagan, Terry Fisk, Rick Game, Corinne Julian, Kevin Morris, Chuck Rybak, Gordon Shafer, Mary Kay Tucker, Tom Webb, Beth Woods, Jay White

**Absent:** Al Buckland, Ron Dixon, Al & Heidi Gerth, Claud Gingrich, Gary Gray, Bill Hassoldt, Diana McIntosh, Joan Rybek, Ed Sharpe, Paula Wright

### **President's Report:**

- Jay welcomed Beth Woods to the Board. Beth was kind enough to volunteer at the Spring Public meeting to represent Lamoka Lake as a Board Member.
- Jay received a call from an individual that noticed we offer our Board Meetings on Zoom and was wondering if we would like a presentation on making our Zoom meetings more effective. Board felt that we were comfortable where we are at and in fact no one opted for the Zoom Board meeting this month.
- Another individual from Canandaigua Lake contacted Jay and asked if we were interested in ordering battery operated flares. Jay passed the information along to the board via email prior to the meeting. Chuck responded that after looking at their battery-operated flares and comparing it to ours the only difference he could see was that their flares were handheld and could double as a flashlight. Chuck believed that our battery-operated flares are just as good and we use better batteries in our current flares. We do agree that our goal is to eliminate the fire flares with the electric flares as it is better for the lakes and the environment.
- Sean Fitzpatrick, LWLA Facebook Administrator, is no longer interested in continuing as the Administrator. Jay agreed to call Sean and see what exactly it would entail and thought he could possibly take it on. Mary Tucker agreed to also help Jay with it.
- Jay is still looking into Bio-Mass cutting for the North end of Waneta Lake. He would like to cut this fall to remove some of the Bio-Mass before it becomes part of the lake. He is talking to a representative of Solitude, the same organization that does our weed treatment. Jay is also reaching out to Keuka Lake as they have recently done some weed cutting and checking to see who they used, cost, etc.  
Kevin asked if there was a way we harvest at the right time. Is there any data on temperature of the lake when the weeds don't re-root? If we are going to harvest, we need the plan to be data driven.  
Gordon thought the Eurasian Milfoil is like an evergreen plant.

**Approval of May 15, 2021 Minutes:** Cartha asked that under the Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality section that we add Hanson to the name of the Gravel Pit and handpick Water Chestnut instead of just Chestnut. A motion was made by Terry Fisk to accept the May 15, 2021 minutes with the changes recommended by Cartha. Seconded by Chuck. Minutes approved with the changes noted.

**Vice President/Membership Report:** There are 985 property owners on the two lakes and to date we have 607 paid LWLA members (61.6%). An individual spoke with Corinne telling her the 12 trailers in the park at the end of Waneta are all paid members. Someone asked if the Swarthout Campsite were members. Corinne is going to check and reach out to those residents.

In 2020 we comped 9 memberships and in 2021 we have comped 5 memberships as of the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Some people have asked that their name not be included in the directory for privacy. Corinne explained that it is set up that you can pay your dues and not be listed in the directory.

On the Website under FAQ the email was incorrect. Corinne has reached out to our web designer and she has made the correction.

**Treasurer's Report:** Corinne sent the Balance Sheet Detail as of **June 26, 2021.**

Checking Account Balance-- \$2,948                      Total Savings: \$51,994.25

Total Checking/Savings--\$54,942.25

Treasurer's Report accepted as presented.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Dredging: Jay put the information on Facebook on the process of dredging if anyone was interested in doing their own dredging. Never received any feedback after he posted the steps and process needed.

Watershed Signs—Jay will follow up on the possibility of having “You are entering the Susquehanna Watershed” similar to the Keuka Watershed signs.

**Lake Treatment:** Dennis reported that the treatment started at 10:00 a.m. on Waneta Lake on Monday, June 14 and finished by 3:00 p.m. The weather conditions were perfect until early afternoon but it did not hinder the completion of the treatment on Lamoka and Mill Pond.

Dennis took Samples on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Mill Pond, north end of Waneta, Rabbit Road, Auls Road Bridge. Samples were submitted Wednesday afternoon and the results should be done by next week. Dennis will take more samples on Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

There were no problems with NYSEG or DEC. Dennis has discovered that they do not want partial information. When you submit your proposal they want complete information, which then they will take 2 months to review. All went smoothly for the 2021 treatment.

NYSEG's comments on our 5-year contract did not affect this year's treatment and we are still waiting from NYSEG.

**NYSEG Update:** Kevin reported he has heard nothing back from DEC since the plan was submitted.

Everything we receive from DEC; Dennis passes on to NYSEG. Rick commended NYSEG in making five adjustments during the week prior to the treatment.

Lake Level as of June 19, 2021 is 1098.6

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Corinne** asked if the LWLA might be interested in providing two days of weed pickup around the lake. Would people be more inclined to rake their weeds and leave it on the curbside and a hauling company would come along and pick it up.

Beth agreed to look into Kennedy Hauling to see if they would be interested in participating in the weed pick up. She will report back at the July meeting.

Chuck received a call from the DAV Wounded Warriors Foundation who is sponsoring a Fishing Tournament and asked if it was possible for the LWLA to donate four t-shirts. The people are coming from all over the 50 states and the ones LWLA will be donating shirts to are from Michigan, West Virginia, North Carolina and Illinois.

Calvin made a motion that the LWLA donate four LWLA t-shirts to the DAV Wounded Warriors Foundation Fishing Tournament. Second by Cartha. Unanimously approved.

## Committee Reports

- **Clothing:** Chuck reported he has ordered 3X and 4X t-shirts along with long sleeve t-shirts for women. Chuck looked into the flares that an individual from Canandaigua Lake proposed that are pencil shaped and can be used as a flashlight. However, the current flares we are selling have better batteries thus making them more efficient. The new license plate holders have arrived and they are nicer and have raised letters and are NYS legal. Currently sell for \$3.
- **CSLAP:** CSLAP is looking at losing some of their funding and is looking at testing once a month rather than the current two times a month. Jay believes that the more data we can collect the better. He will respond to Nancy from NYSFOLA supporting the present system and not cutting back on the testing from 8 to 4.
  - Terry Fisk distributed a copy of 2020 CSLAP Water Testing Data for Waneta and Lamoka Lakes. Jay pointed out that the phosphorous level on Waneta Lake is nearly 3x the amount found in Lamoka Lake.
  - Waneta lake only has the 2020 data where Lamoka was in CSLAP in prior years and they have earlier data to compare. It was felt that at the time Lamoka tested Waneta was included in the data. Mary will contact Nancy to see if we can get earlier data from NYSFOLA.
- **Golf Tournament:** A question was asked why the Golf Tournament costs us money and does not make money? Some of the veteran members said that when the tournament was started it was similar to the Pancake Breakfast to bring the two lakes together for enjoyment. However, the golf tournament has gotten away from LWLA members playing in the tournament. This year, Gary did stipulate that at least one member of your foursome needed to belong to the LWLA. Question remains should it be a fundraiser OR have we gotten away from the original purpose and drop it all together. Tabled for further discussion.
- **Goose Control:** Kevin asked if we see a lot of geese? Gordon reported that he saw about 80 goslings one week prior to our permit. No one else had any comments.
- **Lake Level:** Rick reported the lake was at 1098.6

- **Pancake Breakfast:** No report
- **Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality:** Cartha had nothing new to report. The Schuyler County meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at which time they will meet at the Hanson Gravel Pit to handpick the Water Chestnut invasive species. Anyone interested may contact Elaine Dalrymple at [edalrymple@schuylerswcd.org](mailto:edalrymple@schuylerswcd.org) for details.
- **OTHER:**

Next regular Board Meeting is Saturday, July 17, 2021 at the Tyrone Town Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:10 a.m.

*Mary Tucker*

Secretary, LWLA