

Agenda
Lake Rescue Association Board Meeting
July 12, 2014

Call to Order at 9:04 am

I. Roll Call: Marty Fino, Jerry Latta, Mary Rita Batesole, Angi Benson-Ciufo, Frank Wingate, Charles Robinson

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting: Jerry made a motion to approve and Mary Rita seconded.

III. Treasurer's Report: Angi reported that approximately 60 members have returned their paperwork and dues. Small donations have been coming in. No major expenses in new fiscal year. Angi will finalize last FY expenses and reports for annual meeting.

IV. Old Business:

A. Review of Annual Picnic and Suggestions for next year: Approximately 135 attended the party though 190 had RSVP'd to the event. Angi would like to look into having members register through the website to pay and print tickets at home to bring. This will eliminate RSVP'ing without paying. Angi will work with Ammit on this to see if it is possible. Next year we will have a rain date on the invite. The event was still a success and we covered our expenses.

B. Annual Business Meeting

1. Setting the Agenda - (order of speakers, committee reports, etc): President's Report, Reading of Treasurers Report, Frank Heald, Susan Warren, Kristen Underwood will all speak. Next will be the committee report - Frank will speak about Milfoil; Barb will give a membership report

2. Nominations - Charlie and Jerry will handle having the proxies and sign in's at the annual meeting.

3. Beverage/food - Ann will handle the coffee. Angi placed the order with Sweet Surrender for 40 people. Marty will pick it up.

4. Other: Board members should be at Annual Meeting by 8:30 a.m.

C. Milfoil and other weeds

1. Are we on top of all the weeds: Frank reported that Chris has not found any milfoil in the lake so far this year. Frank is scheduling the divers to come back for another screening.

2. Volunteers at boat ramp: Mary Rita reported that Addison and Mitchell have been screening every Saturday and Sunday in the mornings.

D. Ecosystems Restoration Grant: Our current grant is just about over. Kristen is preparing a new grant that will hopefully be funded to act on her recommendations from the existing grant. The current grant has been for studying the issues and the new grant will be used for implementation of fixes/repairs identified in the current grant.

E. TDI New England proposed electric project: Marty reported that Liz Spaulding will be willing to monitor the project for LRA. Marty also reported that he has attempted to request TDI to meet with us. They will be hosting a town-wide meeting in mid-August. Marty also suggested connecting with Better Back Roads to see if they would help monitor the project and work that will be done on the roads. Mary Rita and Jerry will keep in touch with Liz on the project.

Dredging project - donor gifts >> any feedback??: Angi shared two thank you cards that we received in the mail

V. New Business

A. Boar Ramp closure: Marty reported that the State has provided the date for the closure - July 21st for approximately one week. The board had previously communicated the need for a way to keep the access at least partially open during construction but the State did not accommodate this.

B. Budget for new fiscal year: Jerry & Barb have been meeting/discussing budget preparation. The board discussed the sizable reserves that still exist post-dredging and plans for the future. Jerry and Barb will present that board with a proposed budget at a future meeting.

C. Phone call from Tom Eddy: Marty received an email from an Amherst owner inquiring about membership. The board decided to respond to him, letting him know that he can join as an associate member.

D. Beaver Damage: Marty reported that he spoke Frank Heald regarding the beaver damage. He suggested that we get in touch with the game warden. If that does not help, we should let Frank know.

Next meeting: Annual meeting 2nd at 9:00 a.m. at Ludlow Community Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.