**LRA Board Meeting: July 16, 2022**

Present: Bruce Zanca, George Thomson, Phil Newell, Spencer Rubin (Zoom), Barb Silver (Zoom), Gigi Katsiff (Zoom)

Bruce convened the meeting at **???**

**Treasurer’s Report**

* Bruce presented the financial report in Kevin’s absence.
* Picnic…. Cost/Benefit discussion and possible improvement for next year
* Excellent enthusiasm by all attendees. Ice cream truck could stay longer next time.
* All board members engaged with members.
* PA system could be wireless
* The food was very good
* [Go to Financial statements](https://d.docs.live.net/cc4f430139892b5e/Documents/Documents/LRA/Meeting%20Minutes/2022%20Minutes/July%2016%5EJ%202022%20minutes/June30.Bal%20Sheet.jpg)

Phil moved to approve financial report. Approved

**Minutes of June 18 Board meeting:**

* Barb moved to approve as submitted; Bruce seconded. Approved
* [Go to June 18 meeting minutes](#June18_Minutes)

**Milfoil:**

* Bruce has been on the Dash boat. There have been some mechanical issues.
* Engine repair had to be made in Castleton. Under warranty.
* There is a motor on the DASH boat with 2 functions: one to run the suction, and the second to provide air for the diver. One seal failed and had to be replaced. Cat had a spare seal on hand, and it was fixed by Bruce and the divers.
* Some of the bottom barriers were ‘wrinkled’ because of strong wind last week. Cat was able to smooth them out and redeploy them.
* This year the milfoil seems a bit better.
* George reports many plants coming over the spillway, just beyond the concrete. He had several volunteers scooping fragments.
* Phil reviewed volunteer coverage around the lake. Good coverage on Round Pond. Far fewer plants than prior years.
* There is no coverage in the NE cove of the big lake. There are mats down in this area, but still a lot of plants
* Zone 2 : 4 people; zone 3 no-one; But zone 3 is deep.
* Zone 10, maybe A. Zinkerman, Zone 9, 8?
* Spencer can join with Liz S. in Zone 8

**Sedimentation:**

* Kevin , Bruce and Natalie met with Plymouth officials and Farm & Wilderness regarding Patch Brook Rd.
* Plymouth doesn’t have resources to make repairs. They have priorities they have to fulfill with the state.
* J Eckel set up a call with Richard Regiulio (?) from Lake Amherst and Bruce, looking for our support. He wanted to make a presentation at this meeting and at our Annual Meeting.
* There was a lot of hesitancy to have this issue brought up at our Annual Meeting
* State will pay to remove the Amherst dam but not to repair the dam.

**Lake Safety**

* Possible addition of a No Wake Buoy in Gigi’s cove, due to fast boats.
* Game warden will come to speak at our annual meeting
* John Widness has been in touch re Regulation of Wake Boards. Our concern is the safety threat of these boats and possible swamping of kayaks.
* We have 4 No Wake buoys: Slacks Pasture, Archibald cove, and N & S of channel.
* Phil moved to buy up to 2 more buoys. One for the NE cove of lake, and one in the NW cove of lake. George seconded, Passed.

**Membership, Outreach, Neon**

* 86 full members signed up online since Membership call went out. Mail-ins not included.
* Barb will send out reminder this week.
* Kathy Burns has offered post cards to send out to members.
* This is Barb’s last meeting, and Bruce thanked Barb for her many contributions to the LRA and the lakes.

**Annual Meeting**

* We will all supply slides for the presentation.
* Invited to speak/ answer questions: Town Manager, Game Warden, Bruce Schmidt
* Possible Amherst Dam item
* Cat and Shane will not speak this year, because George and Phil can handle that topic.
* Okemo Valley TV will film the meeting. Last year it cost $150.
* Community Center is now charging us $65 to use their space.
* Promote TV recording to new members.
* Publicize the customs on our lake, eg., Counterclockwise boating.
* Barb will send template for powerpoint slides
* George will bring coffee & refreshments, Donut holes.

**Board Nominations**

* No nominations for remaining open board seat.

**State Dock**

* Next status conference is scheduled for Aug 1; we are seeking postponement to find a new lawyer.

Spencer moved to adjourn; Phil seconded. Adjourned at ???

**Addenda:**

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