

RAINBOW LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

JULY 6 2013

President John McKeon called the meeting to order at 9am. In attendance were John McKeon, Lionel Schuman, Phil Holstein, Ralph Bennett, Roger Gorham, Peter Geertz, and Ilene Geertz.

Minutes from the September 1, 2013 board meeting were passed around for all to read. No changes or corrections were made at this time.

Ralph handed out the Treasurer's report. There is a YTD General Fund balance of \$7568.37 and a Reserve Fund balance of \$19,531.69. Ralph reported that there was a total of 191 members for 2012.

LAKE STEWARD GRANT AND FUTURE FUNDING:

A motion was made to approve this year's stewardship program with Paul Smith's College. The college will provide Saturday and Sunday coverage from Memorial Day Weekend until Labor Day Weekend for \$6,200. (Motion by Peter Geertz/Jody Deal seconded) All approved.

A discussion ensued on future funding for our Lake Stewardship Program with the likelihood that future grants may not be available.

A motion was made that the Board will recommend to the membership that a committee be formed to study different funding methods for stewardship and invasive species programs if grants are unavailable next year. (Motion by Lionel Schuman/Phil Holstein seconded) Board approved motion. It is also the desire of the Board that an attorney be part of this committee in the hope that the person's legal expertise will expedite research into different funding efforts. John McKeon will inform the membership of this at our general membership meeting on July 13th.

WATER QUALITY CONTRACT

Phil Holstein made a motion to approve this year's Water Quality contract for \$1,700. Jody Deal seconded. The Board voted 8 to 2 for approving this motion. Two votes were by proxy.

FUTURE BOARD MEMBERS

For 2014 there are 4 board position openings. Phil Holstein reported that Todd Kahn has agreed to replace Wayne Tucker, Cathy Unruh has agreed to replace Robin Smith, Gordon Sawyer has agreed to replace Beth Richardson, and Peter Geertz has agreed to renew his position as a board member.

Lionel Schuman had graciously agreed to fill in as vice president for 2013 when no one else would. He did inform the Board that he was not interested in becoming president again but would be happy to continue on the board. Phil Holstein has agreed to switch places with Lionel for the rest of his term with the intention of becoming president for the 2015-2016 term.

ANNUAL PICNIC – Jody will make calls in the hopes of securing a place for our picnic.

WATER SURVEY REPORT – Phil will pass around a clipboard for those wishing to volunteer to survey specific sections of the lake looking for invasive species. This is extremely important since if we catch invasive plant species early the damage to the lake and the cost to fix the problem are much less.

Meghan Johnstone will speak at our August meeting on invasive species.

We are hoping to get Nina Schoch who an expert on loons for a meeting next year.

OLD BUSINESS

John will call Faith Lundgren for an update of the pesticide issue by the power lines.

Phil Holstein will talk with Pat Willis on the issue of people putting in their motor boats at the Kushaqua Mud Pond Bridge over the Narrows.

John will make a general reminder at the membership meeting to remind all about slowing down and respecting the wake zone.

NEW BUSINESS

Volunteers are needed to replace Ted Glowa and Noel Prelwitz on the Water Control District Committee. It should be a full time resident and lake home owner. Roger Gorham volunteered and John will make an announcement about this at the membership meeting.

Peter Shrope is willing to continue doing the website but would welcome anyone who would like to help in our website development.

We would like to look into soliciting support for getting funding for our stewardship program from the State Legislature.

The idea of having a membership email list to send out association news or updates was discussed. This list would not be made public and individual email addresses would not be listed on the email.

Lionel Schuman made a motion to adjourn and Roger Gorham seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:54am.

Ilene Geertz

Secretary