PPPA Fall Meeting September 31, 2019

The fall meeting of the Perkins Pond Protective Association (PPPA), was held on Saturday, August 31, 2019 at the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA) Learning Center in Sunapee Harbor at 10 a.m.

In attendance:

President: Ellen Winkler

Vice President: Robin Saunders

Treasurer: Holly Leonard

Secretary: Sheila "Bunny" Lewis

Member at Large:

President Ellen Winkler called the meeting to order at 10:03. Ellen thanked the hospitality and memorabilia committees for their service. She thanked the McKees for hosting the summer Water Carnival.

The Secretary's report was accepted. Motions made by Peter Wilse and Kevin Crean.

The Treasurer's report was accepted. Motions made by Suzanne McMahon and Dick Jaffe.

Robin looked into storing the PPPA historical documents at the Sunapee Library. The librarian suggested that the Sunapee Historical Society might be a better fit.

Robin volunteered to attend the NH Lakes Conference in May 2020.

Ellen reported that you can contact the State and they will come out and assess your property for issues with run-off and what you can do to prevent run-off. www.des.nh.gov

Ellen recommended that we raise our membership dues. Dues have not been raised in a number of years. Funds are needed to purchase more memorabilia, funds for the Water Carnival, funds for the Welcoming committee to put together a gift bag and if something comes up that the Association needs funds for. Dick Jaffe and Robert Evans made the motion to increase dues to \$50 a year with a place for adding a donation. 2 nays, all others in favor.

Water Quality and Weed Watchers

Ellen reported that she met with Scott Hazelton, town roads department, to discuss road run-off. The dirt roads around the pond are not town roads. Ellen asked for a committee to be formed to work with the town to come up with solutions to the run-off entering the pond. Motion made by Ann Watkins and Suzanne McMahon.

Committee members: Steve and Cathy Priest, Robin Saunders, Dustin Aldrich, John McMahon, Debbie and Gordon Udall, Steve Curley, Ann Watkins

Steve Priest presented a report from Mike Dionian. No invasive species have been seen on the pond this summer, no algae blooms. Steve reported that the water quality this summer is very good. No e coli since 1986. This is a good indicator of the benefits of the sewer project. Residents are reminded to not feed the ducks.

Elections

Robert Evans presented the slate of officers:

Vice President: Robin Saunders

Treasurer: Gilbert Watkins

Member at Large: Paula Stilphen

Gary Szalucka and Frank Ward motioned to accept the slate of officers. All voted in.

Website

Ellen requested that a committee be formed to explore options for a PPPA website. Suzanne M. and Robert E. made the motion to establish a committee: Robin S., Steve Mietelski., Margaret Marder, Robert E., Ann Van Tyne, Sue McK. Ann Van Tyne owns domain name: Perkinspond.org

Robin reported that she had contacted several nearby lake associations to begin a relationship of sharing resources and ideas.

New Business

Ellen called for a family to volunteer for the 2020 PPPA summer Water Carnival. The McKees volunteered to do it for a second year.

Sue McKee reported that she intends to send out newsletters in spring and fall. If you have any photos or information that you would like to contribute to the newsletters, please send to news@perkinspond.org.

Greg McKee volunteered to join the memorabilia committee. Kevin Krean will join the nominating committee.

Concerns were brought up over the new owners of the large piece of land on North shore cutting down trees. Robin suggested that NH DES be called to express concerns with the impact this would have on the pond. Motions made by Suzanne M. and Robin S. to contact the State. Robin will make the call.

Holly Leonard was honored for her years of service as the Treasurer for the PPPA. Robin S. and Gary S. spoke highly of her dedication. "She has been an invaluable asset to our Association. She has gone above and beyond her role as Treasurer." Holly was presented with a gift from the Association.

What's Ahead

Date for spring meeting: Saturday, May 23, 2020. 10:00 a.m. LSPA Learning Center.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.