

CRYSTAL LAKE ASSOCIATION

Report of Meeting for
April 29, 2008

Recording Secretary, Monique Burns
Meeting Started at 7:05pm

SECRETARY REPORT: Monique Burns read the secretary report for September 19, 2007. A motion was made to accept the report as read and seconded.

TREASURE'S REPORT: Vic Laptic read the Treasure's report covering the period 9/19/07 thru 4/29/08. A motion was made to accept the report as read and seconded.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Vic Laptic reported that the current 2008 Crystal Lake Association membership is 71.

COORESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT: A March news letter was sent to last years members and a second news letter will be sent in May to residents in the water shed area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Water Testing committee: Bill Merson state that water testing for this season will be performed soon. The current available fund in the Ellington town budget for this program is \$5000.00.

Fund Raising Committee: Cheryl Mickiewicz stated that the Calendar fund raising effort lost money. Many calendars are still available for purchase at a reduced price. \$150.00 was invested in producing these calendars. We will be having our first annual Crystal Lake Picnic. It is scheduled for August 16, 2008 at Aborn Beach with a rain date of August 17, 2008. More information will be coming at our next meeting. Also, Cheryl will be having a 50-50 raffle. CLA made \$112.00 at the opening day of fishing. Cheryl is still in need of more people who want to help with the fund rising. Anyone interested should contact her.

Web Site Committee: Bill Merson stated that more and more information is being added to the web site. Two companies have asked about advertising on our web. Instead of advertising a fund raising section could be set yup or maybe a spot free spot for classifieds could be added instead of advertising. Anyone interested in adding items to the CLA web should contact Bill.

Milfoil Committee: Monique Burns stated that two meetings have been held 2/19/08 and 4/05/08. After reviewing the report prepared by George Knoeklein a course of action or plan was discussed at length amongst the group present at these meetings. The following tasks were established:

Jeanne Burns would send letters to Mike Stupinski and Ted Graziani including the milfoil report and asking for support to obtain a grant of other funding options that might

be available. Subsequent to these letters Mike Stupinski sent a letter in response to Jeanne's letter asking for a report to be presented to him which should include the scope of work to be performed and a cost estimate. Jeanne was also in the process of obtaining quotes for treating the pond across from Crystal Lake beach with herbicides. She has received only two and is waiting on a third and then will perform a cost analysis of all three. In addition at the first selectmen's meeting this month Jack Tuner volunteered to be the liaison between the CLA and the town. His involvement and incite into the inner workings of the town of Ellington will be a great asset to us. We welcome his involvement.

Bill Merson would look at the possibility of purchasing a harvesting boat or building one. He estimated the cost to be a round \$20,000 but would get more accurate numbers. Bill also was looking into how effective mats are in eradicating the Milfoil.

Bea Artz would investigate Grant writing and look into what other lakes are doing.

Monique Burns and Dave Artz would prepare a scope and cost estimate to present to Mike Stupinski.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Dam: No news.

Molly West Scholarship Memorial Fund: Jim Connelly, who coordinates scholarships given to graduating students in the town of Ellington, received the \$500.00 from CLA and will present it to a student in June.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Kathy Green stated that the cost for boat stickers has increased from .39 cents to .59 cents
- A motion to obtain tax exempt status was tabled until more information could be obtained. Discussion ensued.
- A motion was made to give \$50.00 to the cancer society on behalf of a recently deceased CLA member by the name of Paul Goodin. Motion passed.
- Spring clean up is scheduled for 8:30 May 3.
- A discussion arose regarding the Crystal Lake school house become a meeting house for CLA. The town may be in the process of putting money in the budget to restore the facility. We will keep an eye on this because if open for meetings it will be a benefit to the Crystal Lake community.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm