

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OTSEGO LAKE ASSOCIATION
SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010 at 9:00 AM
COOPERSTOWN VILLAGE MEETING ROOM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE – Scottie Baker, Wayne Bunn, Suzy Kingsley, Mickie Richtsmeier, David Sanford

OPENING OF MEETING

1. Treasurer's Report –Primary Account balance on hand (4/10/2010) 8577.62. Buffer Strip Account Balance \$1568.76 (see attached Treasurer's Report for details)
2. Membership Report (David) – no change since last meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS

3. No Wake Zone Buoys- Wayne reported that there had been weather problems that had delayed installation, but that the dive team was continuing to work.
4. Cooperstown Boat Inspections (Carl) –no report
5. Stone Lined Ditches (Scottie & David)- no report
6. Phosphorus Free Educational Program (Tom, Paul, & Mickie)- nothing new to report
7. Merchandise (Scottie)- after the earth festival, we will reassess supplies and order if necessary
8. Earth Festival (Scottie)- we will need to pay the \$25 registration fee. Wayne will do this when he attends.
9. Otsego Lake Festival (Scottie) This will happen on July 10....no news to report
10. Website (Burr – via e-mail) no new developments
11. Law Enforcement Liaison -David will make contact closer to the season. Wayne reported that the sheriff's lake patrol had been funded by the county, and that he had been told that the Goodyear Lake Association had authorized a small amount toward this. Wayne had emailed our response and why we had decided not to financially support this.
12. Otsego County Water Quality Coordinating Committee –Carl continues to email minutes to the BOD.
13. Otsego 2000 Liaison (Scottie)- discussion of our response to the natural gas drilling situation was tabled until Martin and Paul present their draft response
14. OCCA & OLT Liaison –Wayne reported that he is addressing this in our newsletter.
15. Lakefront Park Buffer Strip (Suzanne, Paul, Carl, & Mickie) – Suzanne reported that the Graduate Students are working on the signage and that multiple presentations have been successfully made to the Village Board and appropriate committees. Suzy reported that the hope is that this will be completed before the Lake Festival and that we will be able to have a formal dedication at that time. We also discussed the lake flooding and the impact on the buffer strip.

16. Springfield Landing Buffer Strip (Suzanne, Mickie, & Paul) – Mickie and Suzy reported that they had attended the Springfield Town Board Meeting and had received a positive reception about exploring the development of a buffer strip at the Springfield Public Landing.
17. Fenimore Art Museum Buffer Strip –Suzanne reported that she had attended a NYSHA Board Meeting and that their Buffer Strip was budgeted for development in 2011.
18. Mud Plume Photography - Wayne reported that Paul is coordinating this
19. NYS Rt. 80 Adopt A Highway –Wayne reported that the first collection will be this summer.

OLD BUSINESS

20. OLA Newsletter – Wayne reported that the Spring Edition will be sent out by regular mail with the Membership Application. The Winter Newsletter was sent out by email.
21. Mailing List for Newsletter -Wayne, Mickie, & Suzanne will work on this.
22. Newspaper Advertisement for New Members - In Addition To Mass Mailing –Wayne is working on this
23. OLA Statement on Natural Gas Drilling (Paul & Martin) –tabled
24. Boater Safety Course –David is checking on this
25. Pennysaver “One Line” Quotes About Otsego Lake –Wayne has collected quotes and will follow-up.
26. Renew Memberships in OCCA and NYSFOLA- Wayne has \$75 check which he will send to NYSFOLA. He will also check about timing for our renewal of OCCA membership.
27. OLA By-Laws Update (Wayne) –no news
28. NYSFOLA Annual Conference – April 30th – May 2nd, 2010 –Wayne reported he will attend.
29. Meetings with President of Canadarago Lake Association & Goodyear Lake Association –Wayne intends to continue this.
30. OLA Banner & Oval Decals (Wayne) –research will continue
- 30A. “After the Storm” Video Program – Suzy reported that she had talked with NYSHA administrators and that we had the OK (subject to review of the film). This could even happen as soon as September.

NEW BUSINESS

31. (a) Hall of Fame Parade (June 20th); (b) 1st Annual OLA Boat Parade; (c) 4th of July Parade – Wayne is still hoping to organize the Boat Parade and also that we will participate in the organized parades.
32. Scottie made the suggestion that we should look into selling burgees (boat flags). The Board was supportive of this idea, and Scottie agreed to look into this.
33. Nominations for Annual Election (June Membership Meeting) The Board decided that it was not necessary to appoint a nominating committee since Wayne has agreed to serve again, and it is presumed that the other board members will as well.

Positions Up For Election:

- President – Currently Wayne Bunn
- Director - Town of Otsego (Currently Paul Lord)
- Director - Town of Springfield (Currently Mickie Richtsmeier)
- Director – Town of Middlefield (Currently Burr Southworth)
- Director – Village of Cooperstown (Currently Carl Good)

34. Main Topic For June 19th Annual Meeting -Wayne & Scottie are putting this together

“Steep Slope Development Around Otsego Lake – Different Perspectives”

OLA will organize this. Otsego 2000 will be on the committee and other lake involved agencies, municipalities, and individuals will participate. Dave will recruit the Clark forester to participate as well. Springfield Community Center has been reserved

35. Dates for Next Board of Directors and Membership Meetings

- Annual Meeting: Sat., June 19, 2010 at 8:30 AM (Location: Springfield Comm. Center)
- Board of Directors (Brief): Sat., June 19, 2010 (Location: Springfield Comm. Center)
- Lake Festival: Sat., July 10, 2010 (Location: Lakefront Park – Cooperstown)
- Informational Meeting (Natural Gas Drilling): Sat., August 21, 2010 at 8:30 AM

36. Motion for Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Mickie Richtsmeier