

LLWIA Meeting

July 26, 2014

Simply Autumn Café

Opened 9:10

Closed 10:40

In Attendance

Board of Directors:

Joseph Carlson, Kathy DeClerck, Tremaine Finch, John Hayden, Darryl Miller, Hilary Mosher, Alice Publow, Murray Tripp, Dale Vargason, Dianne Willey

Volunteers:

Jana Everett, Julie Feenaughty, Ted Neufang, Bob Reynolds, Helen Sick

1. Treasurer's Report – Kathy DeClerck

Kathy reported that there is \$1,124 balance in the checkbook. The printed checks have come in and a check went to Jean Maess for the website maintenance and \$50 has been donated to Loon Lake Chapel as thanks for our use of their grounds.

2. Sewer and Water Items

Reminder - Meeting with J.C. Smith, NYS Environmental Facilities Corp., 7:00 p.m., August 11th, Wayland Town Hall

Darryl is still researching engineering firms to quote a feasibility study for a sewer/water project and is seeking suggestion from Tom Klausis. John suggested the project should include not just Loon Lake, but also the adjacent area. Ted and Julie said Perkenville is in need of 'town' water, because the wells are sulfur smelling.

3. LLWIA Booth at Ice Cream Social 7-9pm 7/26/14 – Hilary Mosher & Joe Carlson

Information on invasive species and 'Save That Lake' brochures will be handed out. Hilary also announced that Keuka College is having an invasive species seminar on Aug 8 at 6 to 9 pm

4. Educational Event

Planned for August 30th at 10:00 a.m. at the Loon Lake Chapel

Darryl will give a 'State of the Lake' opener. Hilary and possibly Bruce Gilman, FLCC, and Tom Thompson, Cornell Cooperative Extension, will talk on watershed and lake issues. An agenda has not yet been set.

5. Educational Event and Save The Lake Flier Distribution

'Save That Lake' fliers provided by Sarah Allum will be mailed with the

August 'Loon Lake Link'.

Dale has offered to visit his neighbors in the watershed and hand out these fliers and notices of the 8/30/14 talk.

6. Grant Application Process

- a. Identify grant organizations and potential request for grants
Individuals have volunteered to research various grantor organizations

Julie will submit a report to Alice and Darryl with her findings. Other volunteers are still working on research of appointed grantors.

- b. Identify and engage grant writers

J.C. Smith will try to pin point grantors. Ted will contact Cuba Lake's organization, which has been very successful in obtaining grants, for copies of their applications.

- c. Start drafting grant applications

'State of the lake' document is vital to pinpoint areas where LLWIA needs to apply for grants

7. LLWIA Web Site Structure – Bob Reynolds

The Board approved the name change for the website to

LoonLakeSteubenNY.org. Bob and Jean Maess will facilitate the change.

Updating of the Association/Alliance websites. He's meeting with Jean Maess today to discuss.

8. Committee Structure and Assignments

- a. Grant Committee

Julie will head this committee and will schedule a meeting after 8/11/14 town meeting with J.C. Smith

- b. Finance Committee

John will check to see if LLWIA need a NYS permit to solicit contributions

- c. Watershed Committee

- d. Outreach Committee

Dale will get names and addresses of his neighbors in the watershed.

- e. Special Committees

9. Other Issues from the Floor

Health Department: Ted had a conversation with Bob White, Wayland code enforcement, who is very involved in lake improvement. In regard to public sewer/water systems at LL. Bob said the Health Department is very much in favor of these improvements and is working in our behalf.

Lake Tax Assessments: Tremaine checked on lawsuits pertaining to high tax and found no suits for repayment of over paid taxes.

Blue Green Algae: Hilary suggested LLWIA set up a system to alert lake owners when a bloom is sighted. Helen reminded us that she or Rod Lindsay should be notified if a bloom is spotted. It was mentioned that not all blooms are not toxic and will usually dissipate in a few days. Also blooms beneath the water surface need not be reported.

Wetlands: Darryl has been researching LL wetlands. The area near the weed harvester and Davis road has been identified as federal wetlands. There is much concern for the development on Joe Meyer's property at the south end. Bob White and Darryl are both looking in to this.

Floating weed mats can help as substitute mini wetlands.

Steuben County Water Quality Committee: Darryl suggested visiting their website www.steubenwaterquality.org.

10. Future meeting(s) – Alice Publow

a. Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for August 16 at 9 am behind Loon Lake Chapel

b. Agenda Topics