

## **WIA Meeting Minutes**

### **August 29, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 AM.

Joan Dobbins, President, thanked everyone for coming. A show of hands indicated a quorum of at least 10 members in attendance for a voting meeting.

The minutes of the June 27, 2015 opening meeting were presented for review. A motion was made and seconded to waive reading of the minutes, and the minutes were unanimously accepted as presented.

#### **Treasurer Report**

Diane Farraher-Smith, Treasurer, provided the financial/treasurer report.

Account balances as of 8/26/2015

General Savings Account	\$10,069.30
Mooring Account	\$1,124.47
Beach Restoration	\$275.00
Checking Account	\$1,345.23

WIA typically spends \$7,000-\$10,000 annually on expenses. So far, \$4,000 has been spent this year on expenses. Diane is anticipating invoices for \$4,000-\$5,000 to be received. There is still \$1,500 of allocated funds for the lower beach area by the toybox. A reserve of \$10,000 for the association is deemed necessary, and this has been discussed with tax attorneys in terms of the non-profit status, the plea to submit dues payments early and to consider making a voluntary donation was due to the low balances and we are very grateful for those who did submit. Joan thanked those that did. The WIA insurance premiums are \$1,300. An umbrella policy is being considered, but docks and rafts are difficult to include in a policy. They are covered now in our current policy. A suggestion was made to have a sign "no diving off dock". It was noted that there has never been a claim submitted against our policy.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report as submitted, and the report was unanimously accepted as presented.

#### **Beach Maintenance**

Will Fullerton, Vice President, spoke about beach maintenance and updates.

- He thanked everyone for volunteering their time at the beach, moving sand and placing sod. Some of the sod has died, and grass seed will be planted. Hostas will also be planted on the berm at the top of the parking lot.
- There was no fall beach clean up last year, but there will need to be one scheduled for this year.
- Will asked everyone to be vigilant about keeping the culvert pipe clear of debris to avoid items getting stuck inside.
- All members should feel empowered to approach anyone at the beach that is not recognized to ensure they are allowed at the beach. There have been items stolen in the area of the point.
- Garbage needs to be removed from the beach – trash in, trash out.
- A suggestion was made to issue WIA tags for chairs and parking tags for vehicles, to be issued when dues are received. Ginger Burke volunteered to make and distribute them.
- Another suggestion was for the WIA Board to write a letter that could personally be delivered to each house on the point.
- Discussion about glass found at the beach. There has never been a beach rule of no glass at the beach, and it has not been a problem. A motion was made to enforce no glass on the beach. Following discussion, the motion is being tabled for discussion at the opening meeting next year.
- The existing beach rules will be included in the next newsletter.
- The Beach Kids that maintain the beach have reported finding bottle caps, cigarette butts and trash in the toybox.
- At the opening meeting, the topic of cleaning the sheds annually had been tabled to this meeting. Following discussion, the Executive Board will make a decision year-by-year and put a notice in the Newsletter if we were going to enforce emptying the sheds by a certain date. This year, the shed does not need to be emptied.

- Discussion about increasing the port-a-potty cleaning during holiday weekends. Currently, it is scheduled twice a week for cleaning. The truck usually arrives early in the morning to avoid issues getting in and out of the parking lot. Once this year, the truck did not arrive early, and was not able to navigate safely behind the cars, so the cleaning did not occur.
- Discussion about installing an irrigation system for the grass. A suggestion was made to just install a pump in the shed, with approximately 100' of pipe, and hoses for now, without timers. A motion was made to create a committee, made up of David Mermelstein, Ben Sullivan, David Christensen & Will Fullerton, to convene and discuss, targeting a spring/2016 installation, and to provide findings to the WIA Board. The WIA Board will make a final decision. Motion was unanimously accepted.
- John Fitzgerald has numbers to place on the canoe racks.
- The existing beach restoration permits expire in 2016.

Motion was made to accept Vice President's report of the beach. Motion was unanimously accepted.

### **Mooring Report**

Tony Bonaccorsi, Mooring Coordinator, presented the mooring update. An updated mooring wait list was provided. There has been one turnover – Healeys no longer have a mooring, and the Lambs now have their boat on the mooring. There is one new member added to the mooring wait list – Doug Williams from Pine Street South. One of the lights in the mooring field needs to be replaced at a cost of \$500. A donation of \$250 from the mooring funds was made to the annual picnic. Boats will need to be off the mooring balls by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of September (9/20/2015). The annual fee for a mooring is currently \$125.

Motion was made and seconded to accept Mooring Coordinator's report. Motion was unanimously accepted.

### **New Business**

- **Mooring Regulations Revisions**  
The existing Mooring Regulations were provided, as well as proposed revisions. Discussion about the proposed revisions and how a member is added back to the mooring wait list. Currently, a member is added back to the wait list after dues are paid and the member communicates with the Mooring Coordinator.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed Mooring Regulations. Motion was unanimously accepted.

- **WIA Membership Dues increase**  
The current annual dues are \$100, and are the lowest on all of Newfound Lake.

Motion was made to increase the dues to \$175. Discussion followed, with a new motion made and seconded to increase the dues to \$150. Motion had one opposed, with majority voting in favor. The new annual due is set for \$150.

- **Lunch at the Beach**  
Due to leftover food and drinks from the annual picnic, there will be a cookout today at the beach following the meeting.
- **Emails**  
Joan requested that all members provide an email, as updates and communication about WIA has been via email, and we don't have emails on everyone.

Motion to adjourn was made at 12:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Noreen Logan, Secretary WIA