

LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING 1/16/2015

Present: Lois L, Joan S, Gary L. Terry C, Susan V., Rosina A., Maggie Q., Debby G

Absent: Ned S., Elayne D.

REPORT FROM BOARD MEETING Lois

There was a discussion of possible dangerous agricultural run-off from farms on Rt 22 - Debby will contact Susan Winchell Sweeney and Jeanne Mettler on Copake town Bd to discuss our concerns.

Dredging - The weed harvester needs repairs on pumps and hydraulics that will be costly. Glen G confirms that TSPOA will be dredging in the fall according to Mitch Cohen's plan, and maintenance will build a barge. The updated DEC permit for dredging has extended the period when we are allowed to dredge; until Oct 15. According to the plan and permit, TSPOA will dredge for three weeks; the last week in September and first two weeks in October.

Gary L has sent the contract with Charles Peck to Brian Herman

There was discussion about the placement of the Lake budget in the main TSPOA budget - Lois and Gary L will clarify the Bd's position on this.

ALLIED and plans for 2015

Terry continues to keep after Allied about DEC permission for Renovate, etc.

Algaecide treatment - We budget for 2 with a contingent for 2 more - A new DEC rule requires 7 days notice prior to treatment

The DEC has not yet decided how far downstream we will have to notify riparian owners before a treatment and how much post-treatment testing will be required. The same situation last year prevented us from being able to treat parts of the lake with that herbicide, Navigate. Glen Sullivan suggests that we apply for the permit ASAP (so that we are "in line") and then discuss the fine points with DEC if they consent to the treatment.

GRADING - Maintenance moved 4-5" of sediment from behind the island to enable the weed harvester to get into the channel. Bucky said that it was not difficult to do.

SEPTIC

Septic pumping compliance continues to be monitored. Final warning letters have been sent and \$500 fines levied where appropriate. (Elayne)

Discussion of **post card notice** of pumping due was tabled (Elayne)

CSLAP -

We joined CSLAP again and all paperwork has been signed by all participants: Gary M., Norman, Debby, and Lois

BOARD support for attendance at conferences - The Bd agreed to fund conference fees and to put money in the budget for it. (Terry)

Upcoming conferences are *NYSFOLA* (Lois) the first weekend in May; Friday and Saturday and *Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society* - Jan 20-22 (Debby)

Recommendation: All LC members should become members of NYSFOLA. They send out an interesting newsletter (4-6X per year)

Biological Management of the Lake (Joan) – Joan will invite Paul Lord, who has expertise in this area to our LC meeting for March 14. It is important that LC members meet Paul Lord and hear his presentation. Although he was eager to speak to us soon, the meeting was put off until the March mtg. so that as many members as possible can attend.

Task List

Someone is needed to monitor it and keep us updated. (Elayne?)

Fundraising – Maggie and Elayne are getting information about the cost of T-shirts with the Kayaker image on back and TSPOA logo on the front

We have \$30,000 left from our grant, and TSPOA will need to find alternatives to get needed money. We will have to do fundraising – such as assessments and a not-for-profit arm of TSPOA to accept donations.

Vegetative Barriers

Preparing educational piece for Veg Barriers - Ongoing

Gary feels strongly, and others agreed, that we should only target individuals who do not have any vegetative barrier. Gary will craft a letter to homeowners who are in violation. It will be educational, positive, and direct. We will have to figure out how to get a letter to those homeowners later.

Next meeting – Feb 14, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Debby Goldberg

