## Minutes Lake Committee Saturday September 12 2015

Present: Lois L., Susan V, Maggie Q, Elayne D., Terry C

Absent: Joan S, Gary M., Debby G., Rosina A., Rob W.,

#1 Lois brought us up to date re the dredging.

#2 501c3 partner w the town (Debby) Continued

#3 Task List formation (Lois) continued Elayne offered to contact Dawn re her thoughts about software we can use

#4 Thoughts re fertilizer use sent to Gary I by Debby

#5 Dredging status... Rob told us before the meeting that the barge is built.

#6 Shirts Maggie has put in a new order for some short sleeved and some long sleeved shirts. The long sleeved mustard color shirt we bought as an example is missing and not paid for. New shirts will be ready soon for distribution. They will also be sold at the Harvest Festival on Oct 17th

#7 Minutes archived in office. Lois, Elayne had a chat before the meeting. Lois agreed to get the minutes up to date in the print binder and to work w the parties to figure out the best way for the minutes to be distributed.

## **New Business:**

# 1 A guest observer, Sandy Baptie suggested making it a requirement of a building permit to plan and plant a vegetation buffer and to manage appropriate culling of tree. She called for environmentally sustainable practices.

Lots of discussion about how to approach this.

# 2 Elayne presented ideas re creating templates of categories of failure to have vegetation buffers and then approaching homeowners for steps to remedy. Elayne's 3 year plan includes a TSPOA subsidy to a pgm of encouraging folks to plant. Perhaps a pgm of purchasing plants and selling them at wholesale. Also, an offer to assist planting. And bring in the Cornell Extension Master Gardeners to guide planting choices depending on variations in sites and plant requirements.

Lots of discussion. Not ready to send to Board. Some concern re subsidy of lakefront property owners.

One idea which emerged is the idea of sending letters to all Lakefront property owners and asking them to state what their vegetation buffer looks like and if they require assistance. Some doubts about response level. but idea has worth.

Lake Committee members present agreed that the lake committee should be involved w the permitting process . Use a checklist for the homeowner to agree to. review by L.C. member

#3 Lois would like to see more flowering plants around the lake. perhaps a rebate of \$5 given to any homeowner who plant a flowering shrub. Continuing Next date ...Oct 10, 2015

submitted elayne m dix