WIA Meeting Minutes August 30, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM.

Will Fullerton, President, thanked everyone for coming, and introduced Terry Murphy, Bridgewater Town Selectman. Terry informed WIA that the town is creating a new ordinance regarding "operation of off-highway recreational vehicles and snowmobiles", which will include regulations for use of golf carts. Proposed time limits are operable from May through November. The ordinance is being created in part to prevent injuries and control damage to roads. More information will be posted on the Bridgewater website http://www.bridgewater-nh.com/. Terry also mentioned that Bridgewater residents will notice a tax reduction as the town finances have been positively affected by an improvement in the financial market. Terry also spoke about lake levels and that Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA) keeps the lake levels constant for recreation.

Diane Farraher-Smith, Treasurer, called for a moment of silence for Hester Riley, who passed away 7/24/22014. Hester and her husband James own a home on Pinker Road, and have been members of WIA for many years. WIA sent a donation and letter to NLRA in memoriam to Hester. Her obit can be found at this link

http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/bostonglobe/obituary.aspx?pid=171886670.

Diane also updated WIA on the marriage of Jimmy Costello. Jimmy's parents own a home on Dix Street. Jimmy had been injured at the bombing at the Boston Marathon, and recently wed the nurse who cared for him. An article on the nuptials can be found at this link http://www.bostonglobe.com/lifestyle/names/2014/08/26/marathon-bombing-survivor-james-costello-ties-knot-with-nurse-krista-agostino/MXQqrawuhuoiD6XpwpkLZK/story.html

The minutes of the June 28th opening meeting were presented for review. The minutes were unanimously accepted as presented.

Treasurer Report

Diane provided the financial/treasurer report.

Account balances as of 8/29/2013

Savings Account \$30,157.33 Mooring Account \$1,163.72 Beach Restoration \$275.00 Checking Account \$1,711.63

Dues for the year included payments from 116 members, including 9 waterfront owners that made donations. WIA has made a \$300 donation to NLRA through a matching program. The treasurer report was unanimously accepted as presented.

A total of \$20,000 had been motioned at the August/2013 annual meeting for beach improvements. The project doesn't have to start in the Fall/2014, as the permit expires Fall/2016. Requests for bids will be sent out to local excavators. A motion was made to move forward next year. Motion was unanimously accepted.

The beach and parking lot have remained in good condition, despite all the snow and rain in the area since last year. Approximately two years ago, Will had estimated the cost for a wall at \$10,000-\$12,000, to include 2-3 days of excavation. The culvert behind the shed will also need to be cleaned out. A motion was made to spend up to \$2,000 to clean/auger out the culvert pipe that starts at the fence and goes to the lake. Motion was unanimously accepted.

A motion was made to add \$5,000 to the next phase of the Beach Restoration project. Motion was unanimously accepted.

Beach Maintenance

Jean Bassignani, Vice President, spoke about beach maintenance and updates. Our WIA "beach boys" (Benjamin Fortin, Michael Hart and Patrick Hart) once again took care of the beach all summer; raking the beach, putting toys away, sweeping stairs and removing debris. Ron Goguen, homeowner on Shore Drive South, repaired the ladder on the swim dock. The fall clean-up will occur the weekend of Columbus Day (Saturday 10/11/2014 & Sunday 10/12/2014). Chairs from the sheds, as well as canoes and kayaks, need to be removed during the Columbus Day weekend. ANY ITEMS NOT REMOVED BY END OF COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND WILL BE DISCARDED BY THE WIA. The dock and port-a-potty will also be removed that weekend. The lawn is in good condition, with the landscaping taken care of very well.

New picnic tables are needed to replace those in disrepair. Tony Bonaccorsi stated he could enlist a wood shop at a school to make three (3) new picnic tables, rectangle with attached benches, at approximately \$100 each.

Dustin Whiteaker, homeowner on Shore Drive North, volunteered to take away any unclaimed beach/lawn chairs.

John Fitzgerald, homeowner on Shore Drive South, volunteered to number canoe/kayak slots, and a list will be maintained in the shed.

Chris Stevens, homeowner on Maple Drive South, volunteered to send e-mail notifications to WIA members of news and announcements.

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. Tony passed out a new mooring wait list. Boats will need to be off the mooring balls by the 3rd Sunday of September (9/21/2014). Motion was made to accept Mooring Coordinator's report. Motion was unanimously accepted.

New Business

Election of new officers.

A candidate slate was presented and nominated as the following:

Joan Dobbins – President

Will Fullterton – Vice President

Diane Farraher-Smith – Treasurer

Noreen Logan - Secretary

Motion was made to accept the nominations listed above. Motion was unanimously accepted.

Joan Dobbins thanked the current board for their service and accomplishments.

Motion to adjourn was made at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Noreen Logan, Secretary WIA