

The spring meeting of the Clemons Pond Association was held May 26, 1985, at the cottage of Charlie and Ava Saurman. The meeting was opened by Pres. Louise Novak at 10:30 with 19 people attending. Because of the absence of the secretary due to illness the minutes of the last meeting were read by Ava Saurman, and accepted as read. The Treasurer's report with a balance of \$331.27 and road fund \$231.22 was accepted. Under old business, Judy Comer presented a brochure pertaining to name sign-boards to be placed at the junction of Notch Road and Rt. 160, the company being "Redwood Creations, 15 Marshall St., Somerville, Mass. 02145." A motion made by Norman Brown to purchase 18x3 3/4" sign boards carved on one side only, was seconded by Betty Chapman. An amendment by Walter Novak to purchase the \$8.00 sign, with Judy Comer collecting the money from only members of the association, to be turned over to the Treasurer, was approved. An Association check will be sent, including postage and handling costs.

Under further old business, Ava Saurman reported that she visited Ana Ayasse concerning the junk cars on Notch Rd. and was assured that corrective action will be forthcoming from either town or state level. During discussion it was further noted by Carol Hill that it was unprofessional of the town office to ignore an association letter sent by our secretary concerning this problem.

Walter Novak read a letter from the Hiram Historical Society to Victor Zelman stating that the Society will donate two gallons of paint to be used for the Clemons Family cemetery fence, with C.P.A. to provide volunteer labor. We were also invited to join the Historical Society for a \$5.00 individual membership fee. A motion by Carol Hill was approved for Walter Novak to follow up on the letter and call for volunteers when he has the paint.

New Business: Louise Novak suggested that the time be changed for the annual picnic from 12 to ~~XXIX~~ 2:00 because of heat from noon-time sun. Marion Brown made a motion establishing picnic time at 2:00 on Saturday July 13, seconded by Ava Saurman. A motion was made by Walter Novak that the Assoc. order and pay for hamburger, hot dogs and chicken instead of lobster, clams and steak. An amendment followed that guests be charged a fee of \$3., two free tickets per household or family, and children under 14 free. The amendment and motion voted and approved. Covered dishes will again be provided by members. The usual questionnaire to be sent will reflect these changes. A motion by Charlie Saurman to limit the expense to the Assoc. treasury to \$175. with the

balance to be covered by members, was seconded by Moe Rousseau and voted and approved.

The President stated that Mary Penney was reimbursed for the cost of the Ward family remembrance.

Marlene Livonia discussed the possibility of a loon raft to encourage nesting and reproduction. John Fields stated further information may be available from a game-warden friend. A motion by Norman Brown that John Fields look into the feasibility of loon raft construction and also limiting out-board motor horse-power was seconded by Betty Chapman. John will report back at the July picnic. It was voted and approved.

A discussion followed by Moe Rousseau and others concerning the condition of Notch Road and street lights. A motion was made by Walter Novak to delegate Marlene Lavonia as a spokesman concerning this problem at the next Selectman's meeting because she is a voting resident of Hiram. Norman Brown seconded and it was voted and approved.

Further discussion on the sign board followed. Judy Comer suggested members submit a 3x5 index card with their check, indicating exactly what they want on their sign, to be given to her before June 15. The sign board will have a 4-foot slab at the top "Clemons Pond". (\$20.00)

New members: Marlene Lavonia, Bob Barber. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

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