

## **Clemons Pond Association Meeting September 6, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Hunt at 10:10 am at Pam Morse's camp. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Harold Gillman. A moment of silence followed for members who have passed and all those who have given their lives in service to our country.

**Secretary's report:** Sandy Tate read the report and Carol Hill made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Normie Limbert seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**Treasurer's report:** David Limbert read the report. There is an ending balance of \$513.22 in the account. Carol Hill made a motion to accept the report as read. Normie Limbert seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**Water Quality report:** Report given by Victor Lerish. There have been 8 tests done (less O2 depletion, it's clear, plus less growth of "fluffy substance", more deep rooted aquatic plants etc.) A plant control monitor is needed. To date we have no data feedback from the University on the monitoring of light and temperature levels of the pond. Harold Gillman made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Normie Limbert seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**Loon Rangers Report:** There were 3 loons sighted. The sign warning of nesting loons is now in the shed on the Lerish's property. There will be a new site selected for the nesting platform next year.

**Board of Director's Meeting:** A Board of Director's meeting was held on 07/05/09 at 6:43 pm at the Limbert's house. Present were Richard Hunt, Pres., David Limbert, Treasurer, Walter Novak, Past Pres., Harold Gillman, Vice Pres., Bill Stansky, Web Master, and Sandy Tate, Sec. A discussion was held on the items from last meeting and the agenda for the fall meeting concerning amendments to the Clemons Pond By-Laws. The items were:

1. A letter to be sent to members encouraging participation in the Association and explanation of dues needed to support the organization.
2. Dues would be: 1 year past due \$20.00, 2 years+ past due \$30.00 to reinstate as an active Member.
3. Review By-Laws and necessary revisions on membership and special positions (Water Quality Monitor and Web Master).

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm

A letter was sent to new and lapsed members in August.

### **Old Business:**

**Picnic Results:** A thanks to all that worked to make this years "Pig Roast" a great success. A wonderful time was had by all. Ava Saurman said that she still had 2 green chairs and a plastic container that hasn't been claimed. A discussion ensued concerning if it was necessary to have a policy concerning members bringing a large number of additional guests. It was decided that it was not necessary and anyone bringing additional guests would be asked to bring additional food. The subject of having a "Port-a Potty" at our annual picnic was discussed and Carol Hill made a motion and Betty Zelman seconded it and all agreed that it was a good idea.

**The Clemons Pond web site:** President Richard Hunt stated that in the future a report from the Web Master will be provided.

### **By-Laws Revisions:**

**Dues:** 2 years in arrears a note from the secretary, and reinstated by paying \$30.00.

Motion made by David Limbert and seconded by Mike Smith, and the vote was unanimous.

**Terms of Office:** Officers shall serve 2 year terms. The restriction that the president serve no

**By-Laws Revisions cont.:**

more than two consecutive terms was eliminated. Motion made by Harold Gillman and seconded by Charlie Saurman, and the vote was unanimous.

**New Positions:** the Web Master and Water Quality Monitor positions will be addressed in Appendix A of the By-Laws of the Clemons Pond Association.

**The beaver problem:** Joanna Lerish is still working on a speaker from the wild life people. Harold Gillman said that the School Resource Office has on its staff a beaver trapper that may be available to come.

**Association History:** Judy Comer got in touch with May Hazen and she does not know where any additional information can be found. Normie Limbert said that there was a green picture album of the early years of the Association that might be located.

A thank you was given to Walter Novak for mowing the grass at Clemons cemetery.

**New Business:** President Richard Hunt told the members that he has put all the Associations secretary reports on a CD and that this is available to any who wish to have a copy.

**Dragonflies:** Normie and David Limbert traveled to Wells to get the dragonfly lava and then planted them around the pond this past spring. Volunteers for next years spring planting of the dragonflies was asked and Carol Hill volunteered along with Nate to do the planting.

**Nominating Committee:** All the presiding officers of the Clemons Pond Association agreed to another 2 year term.

**Spring Meeting:** The Spring 2010 meeting will be at Dolly and Harold Gillman's house and Joyce and Bill Stansky will host the Fall 2010 meeting.

**A Teen Camp on Sheppard's land:** This is no longer an issue.

**The Day Development Site:** The proposed development on Sheppard's land in Porter as a site for storage of waste containers brought forth a lively and vigorous discussion. Various aspects of the results from members who had attended the Porter Planning Board meeting, discussions with a DEP representative, did not leave members with the sense that the issues of concern have been addressed. That is first and foremost, will this project have an adverse effect on the health and quality of the water on Clemons Pond?

President Richard Hunt read the letter he sent to the Planning Board voicing his concerns.

Mike Smith made a motion for President Richard Hunt to send a copy of this letter to COLA – Maine Congress of Lakes Association, VLMP – Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program, The Saco River Coalition, and the DEP – Department of Environmental Protection. Charlie Saurman seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

President Richard Hunt asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carol Hill made a motion to adjourn. All seconded the motion and President Richard Hunt adjourned the meeting at 12:26pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Tate, Secretary