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8/11/98

Dear Sixberry Lake people:

First let me introduce myself. I was one of the founders of the Millsite Lake Property Owners Association, and held the office of president many times and for many years. I'm now a member of the Jefferson County Water Quality Coordinating Committee (JCWQCC), and a Director for the New York State Federation of Lakes. The JCWQCC led to the Chairmanship of the Jefferson County Lakes Association (JCLA). It is from this platform I would like to address you.

Through state funding, the JCLA has moneys to help form lake associations and to assist in the writing of a Lake Management Plan (LMP). Of the ten lakes in Jefferson County, seven are now actively involved in writing a LMP. Hopefully, your lake will organize and start a LMP. I do not know when, if ever, funding will again be available and there is reason to believe that dollars will follow for next year (starting August 1th 1999).

PLEASE ATTEND AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

When: August 29th, Saturday

Where: St Francis Catholic Church, Redwood, NY

Time: 9 to noon

The following will be discussed:

- 1. Details as to funding.
- 2. What is necessary to qualify as a lake association.
- 3. How to proceed with your LMP and receive the support of Dr. Lamb.
- 4. Status update on your fellow lakes.
- 5. O and A session.

Call if you cannot attend. Use either phone numbers in the heading or the numbers listed below. Your inputs are important.

Best Regards.

Nancy Girard 628-4624

Dave Ceballas 628-0115

Sixberry Lake Association

September 03, 1998

Re: Open Forum Meeting

Dear Sixberry Lake Residents:

At the meeting of Saturday, August 29, 1998, in Redwood, those present unanimously agreed to the formation of a Lake Association on Sixberry Lake.

A Lake Association generally concerns itself with promoting the standards of care, the preservation of the lake, and social unity amongst residents as needed in several areas such as:

- 1. The propagation, preservation and distribution of wildlife, fish, birds, bird sanctuaries (there has recently been two sightings of a Cormorant on Sixberry Lake).
- 2. To decrease the potential contamination and preserve the beauty of the lake.
- 3. To support legislation directed at improvement of any of the above and cooperate with public authorities.
- 4. Social enjoyment for all residents and their families (ie: picnics, fishing tournaments, sailing regattas).

These are just some of the ideas with which an Association would concern itself. An Association has no authority over the lake or it's property owners. It is hoped that all Sixberry Lake Residents will want to be involved with the Association so we can work together at preserving the lake and the surrounding properties for all to enjoy. Should you have any questions regarding the goals of the Lake Association, please feel free to contact David Ceballos or Nancy Girard.

Sincerely,

David Ceballos 78 Myrtle Ave.

Johnson City, NY 13790

607-724-1541

mdrceballo@aol.com

Nancy Girard

42329 Warneck Rd.

Redwood, NY 13679

315-628-4624

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

David Ceballos 78 Myrtle Ave. Johnson City, NY 13790	Nancy Girard 42329 Warneck Rd. Redwood, NY 13679	
I am in favor of the Sixberry Lake Association	on.	
I am not in favor of the Sixberry Lake Assoc	Z	
I would be interested in participating in the	Lake Association in the following ways:	
	v vide	
1. Nomination for Elected Position	1	
2. Organize Community Lake Events		
3. Volunteer on an "as needed" basis		

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT OF THE SIXBERRY LAKE ASSOCIATION IS ESSENTIAL TO THE PRESERVATION OF OUR LAKE AS WELL AS ESSENTIAL IN OUR QUALIFYING FOR STATE FUNDS.

SIXBERRY LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

42329 WARNECK RD., REDWOOD. NY 13679 ~ 136 E. GENESEE ST. ~ BALDWINSVILLE, N.Y. 13027 ~ USA Phone 315-635-3616- 315-628-4624 ~ Email nana1940@twcny.rr.com

DEAR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS:

AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, IT WAS VOTED ON AND APPROVED THAT WE FORM AN ASSOCIATION. I HAVE SCHEDULED A MEETING ON SATURDAY JUNE 26, 1999 AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN REDWOOD, N.Y. COFFEE & DO-NUTS WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30 A.M., WITH THE MEETING TO START AT 10:00 A.M.

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING AS IT WILL INCLUDE:

- 1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- 2. ACCEPTING THE CONSTITUTION (AFTER DISCUSSION)
- 3. DUES FOR THE YEAR
- 4. STATUS OF MONEYS & RECEIPTS. (SO WE CAN QUALIFY FOR MORE)
- 5. COMMITTEE FOR LAKE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (5 OR MORE TO ATTEND A MEETING WITH DR. LAMB IN JULY)
- 6. SET ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR, NEXT MEETING, PICNIC, (?), LUNCHEON, FISHING CONTEST, ETC. YOUR CHOICES.
- 7. FORM COMMITTEES (?), MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MAP OF SIXBERRY WITH ALL NAMES AND ADDRESSES ON IT, WITH THE ROADS TO USE TO GET TO COTTAGES, FOR USE NOT ONLY OF OWNERS, MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR 911, IN CASE SOMEONE NEEDS EMERGENCY SERVICES.

PLEASE ATTEND THIS MEETING WITH AN OPEN MIND AND A POSTITIVE ATTITUDE. IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER THIS CAN BE A GREAT ASSOCIATION.

SINCERELY YOURS,

NANCY GIRARD

178 South Main St Fairport, New York 14450 July 27, 1999

Dear Sixberry Lake Property Owner,

Please find enclosed the following information:

- Meeting Minutes of the 1st Annual Meeting of the Sixberry Lake Association Meeting
- Meeting Minutes of the first subcommittee meeting of The Lake Management Plan for Sixberry Lake with Dr. Lamb
- Tabulated results of Lake Area Property Owner Survey, Sixberry Lake
- Constitution & By-Laws of the Sixberry Lake Property Owners Association

To join the Sixberry Lake Association you must pay annual dues by May 15th. For the 1999 – 2000 year, annual dues are \$10 per owner(this covers all owners if there are joint owners). Please send your dues to:

Jeanette Koster 2925 Sand Hills Drive Chester, Va 23831

The next annual meeting of the Sixberry Lake Association will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2000. The time and place is yet to be determined. A notice including the agenda will be sent two weeks prior to the meeting. A picnic is being planned following the meeting so save the date.

Please get back to me if the address and/or person that this information is going to is not correct. Please contact me as follows:

Lorry McMahon 178 South Main St. Fairport, New York 14450 716-223-6034

Future information will be sent to Sixberry Lake Association Members only so please join the association. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Girard, president at 628-4614 or Henry Koster, vice-president at 628-5318.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

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Secretary, Sixberry Lake Association

1st Annual Meeting Sixberry Lake Association

June 26, 1999 St. Xavier Church Hall Redwood, NY

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Property Owners represented: Girard, Koster, Ceballos, Shuman and Corriveau

Also in attendance: Jack Douglas, Millsite Lake Association

Mr. Douglas brought maps of Millsite Lake that their association had generated. He also addressed the various kinds of social activities that are held by their association. Mr. Douglas commented that the Sixberry Lake surveys had the largest return of surveys of the other area lakes (33 of the 39 sent out). Richard F. Lamb, Assoc. Professor of Environmental Science at SUNY Plattsburg will meet on Saturday July 3, 1999 from 5-7:00 p.m. with the officers and committee addressing the Lake Management Plan. The Lake Management Plan is the primary project for this Association.

Constitution and by-laws: Henry Koster moved and Jim Corriveau seconded a motion that the Constitution and by-laws be accepted as presented. Motion passed.

Election of Officers: Nominees; Nancy Girard, president; Henry Koster, vice-president; Laura McMahon, secretary; Jeannette Koster, treasurer. Mary Corriveau moved that the nominees be accepted as presented, motion seconded by Pam Shuman. Motion passed.

Lake Management Committee: This committee was formed with the following volunteers: James Corriveau, chair, Laura McMahon, and Henry Koster. First meeting to be held on July 3, 1999 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Corriveau's.

Other committees to be formed as needed or wanted by the membership for such things as social events, special activities for children, etc...

Dues: Henry Koster moved and Christina Ceballos seconded a motion that the annual dues of Association members shall be \$10. per year for each property owner. Motion passed.

Annual Meetings: Henry Koster moved that the Association would hold its annual meeting on the Saturday of the 4th of July weekend. Jim Corriveau seconded. There was discussion on holding the meeting at the lake as opposed to in town. It was thought attendance might be better if a trip to town was not involved. Nancy Girard offered their camp for the 2nd annual meeting. Motion passed.

Mary Corriveau moved to adjourn at 11:42 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannette Bater,

Jeannette Koster, Sect. Pro tem

Subcommittee Meeting of the Lake Management Plan for Sixberry Lake Saturday, July 3, 1999

Present: Jim Corriveau, chairman, Henry Koster, Bob Belge, Lorry McMahon, Dr. Richard Lamb, Jack Douglas

The purpose of the meeting was to begin discussion on the development of a Lake Management Plan for Sixberry Lake. A Lake Management Plan outlines the goals and objectives for the Lake both in the short term and long term. It identifies actions and the budget required support the plan. A Lake Management Plan is required in order to get funding from the state to support activities outlined in the plan.

The following was agreed to be included in the first draft of a Lake Management Plan.

Water Quality Goals - Water Quality should not be allowed to deteriorate

Specific Objectives for Water Quality:

- a. Monitor water quality periodically
- b. Monitor the extent of aquatic vegetation periodically
- c. Undertake a program of voluntary septic system testing and upgrading
- d. Stay abreast of the latest information pertaining to biological controls(weevils and moths).
- Inform residents of methods of weed control in front of their own camps.
- f. Encourage good water quality practices by shoreline residents, such as not disposing toxic substances(paint thinner, motor oil, etc.) in the ground or not washing with soap in the lake.
- g. Continue to prohibit, by local zoning, potentially polluting businesses from locating within the lakeshore area.
- h. Stay informed of fishery management and fish stocking plans.

Land Use and Development Goals

- The rural character of the lake area should be maintained
- The natural character of the shoreline should be maintained
- Important wildlife habitats, environmentally sensitive lands, and key open spaces should be protected from development

Specific Objectives for Land Use and Development

- a. Limit the type and location of commercial development by working on zoning changes
- b. Protect rock cliff faces by regulation
- c. Discourage the removal of natural vegetation along shorelines.
- d. Limit the number and size of docks and boathouses permitted on a property
- e. Encourage land conservation by means of voluntary donation of scenic easements to a land trust.

Recreational Use Goals – Conflicts between various user groups should be minimized to the extent practicable.

Specific Objectives for Recreational Use

- a. (Continue to) Limit the horsepower of boats using the public boat launch.
- b. Encourage boater and water craft user courtesy
- c. Encourage boater safety

Organizational Goals

- Maintain and active Lake Association
- Maintain active participation in the Jefferson County Lakes organization
- Maintain active participation in the New York Federation of Lake Associations(FOLA).

Specific Objectives for Organization

- a. Increase membership in the Lake Association
- b. Keep members informed of items of interest
- c. Obtain adequate funding through dues, fundraisers, and grants.
- d. Stay abreast of latest information and programs available from FOLA.

Elements to include in the action plan:

- a. Distribute a yearly newsletter
- b. Actively participate in the Jefferson County Lakes Organization.
- c. Send representatives to annual FOLA meetings and other appropriate conferences.
- d. Engage in fundraiser, for example sale of colored maps
- e. Establish a water quality monitoring program
- f. Prepare a map of aquatic vegetation, and update periodically
- g. Undertake a program of voluntary septic system testing
- Prepare a detailed land use plan for the lakeshore area, including identification of environmentally sensitive lands and key open spaces
- Prepare proposed amendments to local zoning regulations in order to implement land use and development goals and objectives.
- Encourage participation in a local land trust that could encourage and receive donations of conservation easements in order to preserve open space.
- k. Prepare a booklet for distribution to lake area property owners that outlines existing regulations, describes voluntary actions that could be taken to preserve water quality and the lakeshore environment, encourages water craft courtesy, and lists agencies to contact with enforcement concerns.

Projects for 1999-2000

- a. Water Quality Testing \$200
- b. Prepare and distribute informational booklet \$300
- c. Newsletter \$150
- d. Send representative to FOLA conference (50-50 cost sharing), membership \$250
- e. Aquatic vegetation mapping technique \$150 (toward equipment for use in all the lakes)
- f. Lake Management Plan \$500
- g. Environmental Inventory Maps \$250

Other items covered:

Dr. Lamb reviewed a document where he had outlined proposed zoning for smaller lakes and he asked for a representative from the Sixberry Lake Association to work with representatives from the other Theresa Lakes to develop a proposal. He viewed this as being something that would take a number of years to develop.

Henry Koster volunteered to represent the Sixberry Lake Association on a committee of the Theresa Lakes to develop proposed zoning for shoreline zoning of smaller lakes in New York State.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorry McMahon

Secretary, Sixberry Lake Association

APPENDIX 1 TABULATED RESULTS OF LAKE AREA PROPERTY OWNER SURVEY Sixberry Lake .

1. Does your property have lake frontage? 28 yes 0 no

2. About how many days per year do you spend on your lake area property? Minimum = 0 days

Maximum = 300 days

Median = 60 days

3. How would you rate the condition of your lake for the following?

	1	2	3	4	
	Poor	<u>Fair</u>	Good	Excellent	No Opinion
a. Swimming		s 1	8	19	
b. Non-motorized boating		2	5	20	
c. Motorized boating	2	9	8	6	
d. Fishing	2	4	15	6	
e. Household water supply	1	4	11	7	4
f. Aesthetic appeal		2	7	17	

4. Have you noticed any change in water quality:

a. since last year?
b. in the past few years?
13 yes
13 no

5. Please describe any change in water quality or in lake levels. (For example, excessive weed or algae growth, loss of clarity, odor or taste of water, fish kills, abnormally high or low water, etc.)

Comments:

Lake level fluctuates depending on beaver dams

More weeds (2)

Occasional oil slicks

Loss of clarity (4)

More algae

High water due to beaver dams

Suspended floc in late summer

Increased sediments in lake

Someone has moved a stream creating turbid water in the lake, it is suspected that leachfield drains into the stream

6. Do you believe the following conditions are a problem in your lake?

	1	2	3	
		Minor	Serious	
	No Problem	Problem	Problem	No Opinion
a. Rooted aquatic plants in general	18	6		1
b. Milfoil in particular	16	1		5
c. Algae (green scum)	16	9		1
d. Turbid water (not clear)	16	6		2
e. Undesirable taste or odor	17	5		1
f. Zebra mussels	21			3
g. Lake level too high or too low	15	5		4
h. Poor bottom conditions for swimming	17	6		2
i. Swimmers itch or bacteria problems	20	2		3
j. Toxic chemicals in the water	16	5		3
k. Poor fishing	18	4	1	1
I. Fish kills	21	1		2
m. Too many boaters	13	8	2	1
n. Excessive boat speed	12	8	5	1
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12. Would you favor or oppose the following specific land use controls that would apply to <u>future</u> use of the land. (Existing land uses would be grand-fathered.)

	1	2	3	4	5	
	Strongly				Strongly	No
	Oppose	Oppose	Neutral	Favor	Favor	Opinion
a. Regulations designed to reduce the density of new development on		1	2	7	15	1
critical habitats, environmentally sensitive lands, and valuable					10	
open spaces.						
b. Regulations designed to preserve the natural character of the		3	6	8	8	1
shoreline, such as limiting vegetative cutting.						
c. Regulations designed to reduce stormwater runoff (carrying algae		1	8	7	7	1
inducing nutrients) entering the lake.						
d. Regulations limiting "funnel development," whereby an unlimited	1	2		5	17	1
number of inland building lots share a relatively small amount of						18
lakeshore frontage.						

YOUR COMMENTS:

Ban jet skis

Ban motor boats (2)

Have jet skis follow watercraft regulations

Opposed to a small group of people controlling others on the lake

Agenda

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- 2. Treasurer's Report Jeanette Koster
- 3. Committee Report

Lake Management Plan – Jim Corriveau

4. Old Business - Nancy Girard

Sixberry Lake Association Membership

Property Owner's Guide

5. New Business - Nancy Girard

Nominating Committee Chairman – 2001 Election of Officers

Lake Water & Septic Tank Testing

Newsletter

Picnic

Fishing Derby

6. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 1, 2000

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

2nd Annual Meeting Sixberry Lake Association

July 1, 2000 Nancy Girard's Cottage Sixberry Lake

Meeting called to order at 10:35 am.

Property Owner's represented: Corriveau, Girard, McMahon, Van Tassel(Bob), Sauer, Bearup, Marcon, Harter, Flynn, Ceballas, and Sears.

The meeting minutes from the 1st Annual Sixberry Lake Association were read. A motion was made by Mary Corriveau and seconded by John Marcon to accept the meeting minutes as read. The motion passed.

The treasurer's report was read. A motion was made by Rich Sauer and seconded by Deb Bearup to accept the treasurer's report. The motion passed.

Financial Report Income Start-up \$100 Previously collected \$110 1999-2000 dues \$160 Total

\$370.00

Disbursements:
Food \$7.98
Hall rent \$20.00
Misc receipts \$38.22
Envelopes and postage \$57.05
Supplies \$9.28
Water Testing \$85.00

\$217.53

On-hand

Total

\$152.47

Jim Corriveau reviewed the Lake Management Plan. The emphasis of the plan is to ensure the water quality of Sixberry Lake is maintained and/or improved. The plan focuses on water testing and septic system testing. Five samples were drawn from Sixberry Lake and tested in June. Samples will again be drawn from the same five locations in September to get a profile of the Lake in early and late summer. The results of the samples taken in June were all the same.

There was discussion around septic system testing. It was agreed that this would be on a voluntary basis only. Nancy Girard will get enough tablets so that anyone that is interested in testing their septic system will be able to do so. Tom Flynn, Jim Corriveau and Rich Sauer agreed to help the cottage owner's with the testing. Tom will take the cottage owner's from Muller's to Belge. Jim Corriveau will take from his cottage to Shuman's. Rich Sauer will take the cottage owner's from Murray's to Varney's. The results of the testing will be confidential.

A general discussion was held on what activities people would like to see the Lake Association sponsor. Please get your ideas to Nancy Girard, Henry Koster, Jeanette Koster or Lorry McMahon.

There was an interest in having a map developed with cottage locations identified and with cottage and land owner's also identified. Nancy Girard will pursue.

There was discussion on the use of the roadways, the fallen trees by the side of the road, and of the trees in the water. It was suggested that folks deal with these issues directly with the property owner's.

A motion to adjourned the meeting was made at 11:35 am by Jim Corriveau and seconded by Mary Corriveau.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarry Mr Maker

Secretary

Sixberry Lake Association

Sixberry Lake Association Members for 1999-2000

Beldge

Girard

McMahon

Koster

Walsh

Muller

Harter

Marcon

Elstein

Main

Saurer

Warneck

Corriveau

Bearup

Dues for 2000-2001 are due by May 15th, 2001 to Jeanette Koster

Sixberry Lake Association Meeting July 7, 2001

Nancy Girard called the meeting to order at 10:35 am.

Present: Bob Belge, Betty Belge, Nancy Girard, Doug Warneck, Jim Corriveau, Mary Corriveau, Jeannette Koster, Henry Koster, Lorry McMahon

- 1. Nancy Girard reviewed the meeting minutes from the 2000 annual meeting. Henry Koster moved to approve and Doug Warneck seconded the motion. The meetings minutes were accepted.
- 2. Jeannette Koster reviewed the Treasurer's report. Since 1999, there has been \$895.75 in income, \$662.16 in expenses. There is \$219.99 in the bank and \$13.60 in petty cash. There were twenty members for the year 2000-2001. Bob Belge moved to accept the report. Henry Koster seconded the motion. The report was accepted. Dues for 2001-2002 are due and are \$10 per cottage or site and are due by May 15th, 2002. Please send dues to:

Jeannette Koster 2925 Sand Hills Drive Chester, Virginia 23831

3. Jim Corriveau gave the committee report on the CSLAP Program. In order to participate in the CSLAP a lake needs to belong to the Federation of Lakes. Sixberry Lake Association has been a member for the past two years and was allowed to participate in the CSLAP program starting this year. The CSLAP program enables a Lake to be tested eight times during the summer for 5 years to determine what is happening to the water quality of the lake over time. The tests run on the water are water temperature, transparency, conductivity, pH, color, nitrogen, chlorophyll, and phosphor levels. Jim Corriveau trained to run some of the tests and to take the samples. He is taking them every other Sunday at 5 pm. If you have plants in the water in front of your cottage or site and you want to know what they are, please give Jim Corriveau a sample and retain a sample for yourself. He will send the plant samples in when he sends the water samples. We should have preliminary information back in the Fall with more detailed data available late winter. After the first year, additional tests are run. Bob Belge moved that we continue to belong to the Federation of Lakes and continue in the CSLAP program. Jeannette Koster seconded this motion. It was accepted.

With the testing from the CSLAP program, it was agreed that we should not continue to do the water testing that Nancy Girard had started since this testing was related to drink ability of the water and not something that would give us information on the water quality of the lake. Sixberry Lake is a B rated lake. A B rated lake indicates it is safe for swimming. An AA level Lake indicates it is safe for drinking.

4. Old Business

Nancy Girard will get tablets for those folks that wish to test their septic system. You
need to know how many gallons your tank holds. It was agreed that Bob Belge, Jim
Corriveau and Rich Saurer would continue to assist cottage owners that wish to do this.
The results will be confidential and only available to the cottage owner.

5. New Business

Election of officers and committee members for 2001-2003. Mary Corriveau moved that we
stay with the current slate of officers and committee members. Henry Koster seconded the
motion and it was accepted. Jeannette Koster did indicate that she would like to retire from
the position of treasurer so if anyone has an interest in this position please let Nancy Girard
know.

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CEASLAP Program - Jim Corriveau Lake Water Testing

5. Old Business - Nancy Girard

Voluntary Septic Tank Testing

6. New Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

Water Quality

7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 6, 2002

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624 Please note: Now that we have had a Sixberry Lake Association for three years, we are asking that only members attend the Sixberry Lake Association Meeting. You can become a member by paying the annual dues of \$10 per camp to Jeannette Koster. If you would like to attend this meeting and/or are unsure if you are current with your dues for the 2002 meeting, Jeannette Koster will be available prior to the meeting to collect dues that were due by May 15, 2002 or to confirm that you are current with your dues. It is always good to pay your dues for the 2002-2003 year at this meeting.

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Nancy Gerard, Jean Gerard, Mary Corriveau, Jim Couriveau, Henry Koster, Jeanette Koster, Tom Flynn, Don Harter, Kathryn Harter, Len Main, Sally Sauer, Richard Sauer, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Regina Doyle, Cliff Doyle

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 am on July 6^{th} , 2002.

- 1. Everyone had gotten written copies of the 2001 Meeting Minutes. Mary Couriveau moved to accept the minutes as written. Sally Sauer seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- 2. Jeannette Koster provided the treasurer's report. The cash on hand is \$284.90. There is \$240.22 in the bank and \$44.68 in petty cash. Rich Sauer moved to accept the treasurer's report. Sally Sauer seconded the motion. The report was accepted.
- 3. Jim Couriveau provided copies of the results of the water testing program. He would be glad to provide electronic copies if you give him your E-mail address. The testing results show that Sixberry Lake is in good shape. New York State publishes the results if the Lake Association allows them. There was discussion at the meeting as to the pros and cons of having the results published. Henry Koster moved to keep the water testing data confidential and not have it published. Nancy Girard seconded the motion. The motion was accepted and the results will not be published.

Starting in 2002, the water testing program is no longer free to members of the NYS Lake Federation. The cost is \$200 per year and membership in the NYS Lake Federation is required (\$35 per year for a Lake Association to be a member of the NYS Lake Federation). Rich Sauer moved that we continue to participate in the CSLAP Program. Henry Koster seconded the motion. The motion was accepted and Jim Couriveau was reimbursed for the \$235 he had spent signing up for the program for 2002 since it had to be done in March.

- 4. Voluntary septic system testing was discussed. The agreement had been that Tom Flynn, Rich Sauer and Jim Couriveau would divide up the cottages on the lake and visit each cottage to discuss septic system testing. Nancy Girard will pursue getting the tablets for testing and the information on how to do the testing. Getting information on what each cottage has for bathrooms, washing machines and other such information was discussed and it was felt that gathering this information would be beneficial. Tom, Rich and Jim can develop a check list of questions to ask each cottage as they visit to discuss voluntary septic testing.
- 5. The water level and beaver situation was discussed. The high lake water level is due to a beaver dam in the outlet. The outlet is on Lyle Van Tassel's property.

Nancy has received permission from the DEC to remove the beaver dam and also to trap the beavers to reduce their population. The high water level is causing erosion along the shore and causing property damage to many camps and docks on the lake. A group of people are working with a lawyer in Watertown to pursue legal action to get the lake level returned to it's natural level since Lyle Van Tassel is not allowing anyone on his property to remove the dam. If anyone would like to support the effort financially, please contact Henry Koster. A motion was made by Henry Koster and seconded by Rich Sauer to have the Sixberry Lake Association put their name behind supporting the water level issue of getting the lake level returned to it's natural state. The motion passed.

Nancy Girard had hired a person to trap the beavers to reduce their population on the lake. This was with the DEC's permission. The person has trapped 10 beavers at a cost of \$200. Nancy Girard has paid for this herself. If you would like to share in the cost of this on-going effort, please contact Nancy Girard.

- 6. There was discussion about who should get the meeting agendas and minutes. It was agreed that we should send the agenda out to all property owners on the Lake, but the minutes will only go to current members. It was suggested that we put the mission of the Sixberry Lake Association on the meeting agenda to remind people of the purpose of the Lake Association. You are a current member if your dues are up to date. Lorry McMahon will send out a "Bill" for dues in the future when she sends out the meeting agenda.
- 7. Jeanette Koster requested that she no longer be the treasurer for the Lake Association. Mary Marcon moved that she be appointed the treasurer. Lorry McMahon seconded the motion. The motion was accepted and Mary Marcon is now the treasurer for Sixberry Lake. Mary's address is as follows in case you need to send dues:

Mary Marcon 201 Heather Lane Camillus, N.Y. 13031

- 8. The amount of dues was discussed and it was agreed that we needed to increase the amount in order to be able to continue to participate in the CSLAP program. Henry Koster moved that we increase dues to \$20 per year per property. Tom Flynn seconded the motion and the motion was passed. The increase in dues will start for the 2003-2004 year. Dues for 2002-2003 will stay at \$10 per property and are due to Mary Marcon by May 15th, 2003.
- 9. A motion was made by Lorry McMahon and seconded by Mary Courveau at 12:06 pm to close the meeting. The motion was accepted.

Respectfully submitted:

Lorry McMahon

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2002 Annual Meeting Nancy Girard
- 2. Treasurer's Report Mary Marcon
- 3. Committee Report

CSLAP Program - Jim Corriveau Lake Water Testing

4. Old Business - Nancy Girard

Lake Level and Beaver Population Voluntary Septic Tank Testing

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 5, 2003

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

Object of the Sixberry Lake Association

- 1. To promote high standards of care and conservation of Sixberry Lake and to inform Association members of matters pertaining thereto;
- 2. To encourage the propagation, preservation and distribution of wildlife, fish, bird sanctuaries, and conservation of marginal lands to swamps and ponds. To protect and develop plant life in its native state. To preserve the purification of contamination in the shed water of Sixberry Lake;
- 3. To encourage and support legislation to the foregoing: to aid and cooperate with all public authorities in so doing and to affiliate or cooperate with any other organization having purposes similar to this Association;
- 4. To prepare and circulate literature and adopt any other method of informing the public of the need of such conservation work for the general health and welfare of Sixberry Lake.

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Regina Doyle, Henry Koster, Jim Corriveau, Mary Corriveau, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Nancy Girard, Paula Hayden, Roxanne Flynn, Tom Flynn, Rich Sauer, Sally Sauer

Prior to the official start of the meeting, Bob Ewing from the Auxiliary Coast Guard spoke about the Auxiliary Coast Guard and about water safety.

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 am on July 5th, 2003.

- Copies of the 2002 Annual Meeting Notes were distributed and read. Mary Corriveau moved to accept the minutes as written. Regina Doyle seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
 - 2. Mary Marcon presented the treasurer's report. The cash on hand is \$379.90. It was agreed that we were to reimburse Jim Corriveau \$200.00 for water testing for 2003 and \$35.00 for the Jefferson Lake Association 2003 dues. Henry Koster moved to accept the treasurer's report and Regina Doyle seconded it. The report was accepted.

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- 3. Jim Corriveau provided copies of the Sixberry Lake water testing results for the past two years from the CSLAP Program. If you are a Sixberry Lake Association member and did not get a copy of the report and would like a copy, please send me your E-mail address and I will send a copy of the report to you. My E-mail address is lorraine.mcmahon@kodak.com. Jim covered the highlights of the report and shared that it was agreed in the past that data about Sixberry Lake would not be published. Dr. Lamb had agreed to do a vegetation map of Sixberry Lake and this has not been completed to date. We agreed that this should be pursued so that if the lake vegetation changes in the future, we have a benchmark to compare any changes.
- 4. Nancy Girard shared that the Jefferson Lake Association has received a grant to assist cottage owner's in upgrading their septic system. There are 10 grants of \$1000 each available. Nancy planned to get more information on this at the upcoming Jefferson Lake Association meeting. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Nancy Girard.
- Jefferson Lake Association is also supporting bacteria testing of the lakes in the association. The cost of this will be covered. Nancy will be taking samples for this program.
- 6. The level of the Lake water was discussed. Mr. Slye, an attorney from Watertown, has been working with 11 cottage owners on the Lake to ensure that the outlet to the Lake is cleaned out on a regular basis. The DEC still needs to

approve cleaning out the beaver dam in the outlet on an annual basis and that approval has been received for 2003. The legal agreement which will be written into the deeds of 4 cottage owners (Girard, Belge, Warneck, and Corriveau). It will allow family members from these cottages to walk on Van Tassel's property within a designated right of way to break down the dam. The debris from the dam is to be removed. A one week written notice to Lyle Van Tassel is required prior to doing this. The legal cost of this has exceeded the original estimate. It was suggested that each person give an additional \$250.00 right now and see if others on the lake are willing to contribute. Henry Koster will send out a letter to the folks on the lake that have not contributed after we have a signed agreement. If you would like to get regular communication on this topic please give Henry Koster your E-mail address.

- 7. Nancy did not have an update on the beaver trapping. It was agreed that we need to continue to trap beavers in order to reduce the number of beavers on the lake. Bob Belge was pursuing this for 2003.
- 8. The election of officers was briefly discussed. Mary Corriveau moved that we keep all present officers in their same position. Sally Sauer seconded it. The motion was approved.
- 9. Mary Corriveau moved to close the meeting at 11:42 am. Nancy Girard seconded the motion. The motion was accepted.

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Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2003 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report

CSLAP Program - Jim Corriveau Lake Water Testing

4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 3, 2004

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

Sixberry Lake Association

2003-2004 Annual Dues \$20.00 per property Due to Mary Marcon by May 15th, 2004

Send dues to Mary at the address below:

Mary Marcon 201 Heather Lane Camillus, N.Y. 13031

In our 2003 annual meeting Nancy Girard reported the following:

Nancy Girard shared that the Jefferson Lake Association has received a grant to assist cottage owner's in upgrading their septic system. There are 10 grants of \$1000 each available. Nancy planned to get more information on this at the upcoming Jefferson Lake Association meeting. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Nancy Girard.

Information enclosed from Nancy Girard on this grant.

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2004 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report

CSLAP Program - Jim Corriveau Lake Water Testing

4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 2, 2005

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Henry Koster, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Nancy Girard, Rich Sauer

The Meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:44 am on July 2nd, 2005.

- 1. The Meeting Notes from 2004 were reviewed. Nancy Girard moved to accept the minutes as written. Henry Koster seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- 2. Mary Marcon presented the treasurer's report. The cash on hand was \$305.00 in the general fund and \$190.00 in the Beaver Fund. It was agreed that we were to reimburse Jim Corriveau \$200.00 for water testing for 2005 and \$35.00 for the Jefferson Lake Association 2005 dues. Henry Koster moved to accept the treasurer's report and John Marcon seconded it. The report was accepted.
- 3. Jim Corriveau was not present so the CSLAP report on the water testing results will be covered at next year's meeting.

4. Old Business

Shooting of the beavers to reduce the beaver population was discussed. Nancy learned that the person we have been using may be overcharging us. In the interim, John Marcon agreed to shoot the beavers as needed. Rich will pursue finding another trapper.

Henry Koster shared the status of the legal action to be able to remove the beaver dam from the outlet stream to control the lake level and prevent flooding. The total cost was \$8655.53. The total amount of donations received was \$8780. It was suggested that the extra money be given to the Sixberry Lake Association. Rich Sauer made a motion to support this suggestion. Nancy Girard seconded the motion and it was accepted.

5. New Business

Alice Sears wanted to come to the meeting to discuss the issue of jet skies harassing the swimmers and boaters at the camp ground. Nancy Girard shared that the people who come to the meeting aren't the ones causing the problems. Nancy shared the information.

There is new legislation to raise the age to operate a jet ski from 10 to 16.

Rich Sauer agreed to gather the names and addresses of the new people on the lake and to share with them information on the Sixberry Lake Association.

6. Election of Officers

A motion was made by Henry Koster and seconded by Rich Sauer to keep the same slate of officers. The motion was accepted.

7. A motion was made by John Marcon and seconded by Henry Koster to close the meeting at 11:25 am. The motion was accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorry McMahon

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2005 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report

CSLAP Program - Jim Corriveau Lake Water Testing

4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 1, 2006

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Jeannette Koster, Henry Koster, Nancy Girard, Rich Sauer, Tom Flynn, Roxanne Flynn, Otto Muller, Sandra Singer

The Meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:37 am on July 1st, 2006.

- The Meeting Notes from 2005 were reviewed. Rich Sauer moved to accept the minutes as written. Henry Koster seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- 2. Nancy Girard presented the treasurer's report for Mary Marcon. The cash on hand is \$749.17 in the general fund and \$65.00 in the Beaver Fund. The only expense for the past year was \$125.00 for a gun out of the Beaver fund so that John Marcon could eliminate the beavers. Five were eliminated in 2005 and one so far in 2006. John is not taking compensation for shooting the beavers and asked that the Association pay for a rifle so that he would not need to borrow one. Otto Muller moved to accept the treasurer's report and Henry Koster seconded it. The report was accepted.
- 3. Water testing and participation in the CSLAP program has not been pursued for 2005 and 2006 since Jim Couriveau has not been available to participate in this effort.

4. Old Business

John Marcon will continue to pursue eliminating the beavers.

Henry Koster will give Nancy Girard all the information on the law suit on the Lake Level and beaver dam dismantling. Nancy will maintain this documentation so that it is available if needed in the future. It would be helpful if all the people that are listed as being able to dismantle the beaver dam participate in taking the dam down. Nancy has provided Lyle a schedule for the year showing once a month going onto Lyle's property to remove the dam. Please contact Nancy if you or a member of your family could assist with this effort.

5. New Business

There was a notice in the paper that the DEC opened Sixberry Lake to ice fishing. This is on a two year cycle. It can be deleted in 2008 if there is opposition.

Bob Ewing contacted Lorry McMahon to see if there is an interest in having Sixberry Lake shirts, sweatshirts and caps. Lorry will pursue this next Spring when she sends out the agenda for the annual Meeting.

6. A motion was made by Otto Muller and seconded by Henry Koster to close the meeting at 11:15 am. The motion was accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorry McMahon

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2006 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report

CSLAP Program

Lake Water Testing

4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday June 30th, 2007

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Front Lawn of Nancy Girard's Cottage

Bring a chair Phone #628-4624

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2007 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report
- 4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Vice President
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 5th, 2008

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

Phone 628-4624

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting June 30th, 2007

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Tom Flynn, Rich Sauer, Jim Corriveau, Mary Corriveau, Regina Doyle, Henry Koster, Nancy Girard

The Meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:33 am on June 30th, 2007.

- The meeting notes from 2006 were reviewed. Rich Sauer moved to accept the notes as written. Henry Koster seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- 2. Nancy Girard presented the treasurer's report for Mary Marcon. The cash on hand is \$1074.17 in the general fund and \$65.00 in the Beaver Fund. A motion was made to move the beaver fund money into the general fund. Henry Koster moved to accept the motion. Nancy Girard seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- 3. Jim Corriveau reviewed the water testing program that occurred from 2001 through 2005. The numbers were consistent for the 4 years of testing. He proposed that we wait several years and retest to see if there is any change to the water quality of the lake. The current issue for the lake relates more to erosion.
- 4. The Lake level has been okay. The current process in place for controlling the lake level is working. Henry Koster's cottage should be used as the measure to determine when the beaver dam should be removed.
- 5. The overall funds in the Sixberry Lake Association were discussed. It was proposed that the money be used in the future for water testing. Nancy was going to discuss with Mary Marcon about putting the funds into a CD since the water testing will not be done in the next few years. Henry Koster moved that we put \$800 into a CD. Rich Sauer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
- 6. The current slates of officers were nominated for their existing positions. The motion was made by Mary Marcon and seconded by Henry Koster. The motion passed. Nancy Girard, president, Henry Koster, vice-president, Mary Marcon, treasurer, and Lorry McMahon, secretary.
- 7. The meeting closed at 11:00 am.

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Respectfully submitted,

Lorry McMahon

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 5th, 2008

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Regina Doyle, Nancy Girard, Kevin Murray, Bob Belge, Betty Belge, Tom Flynn, Roxanne Flynn, Paula Hayden, Chris Harter, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Nick Carter, Mike Carter, Al Gianfagna, Jean Gianfagna, Amanda Carter, Sue Garcia-Tunon, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:36 am on July 5th, 2008.

- The meeting notes from 2007 were reviewed. Regina Doyle moved to accept the notes as written. Sue Garcia-Tunon seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- Mary Marcon presented the treasurer's report. The cash on hand is \$1354.17. Due
 to tax implications, the Association cannot place this money in a CD. Bob Belge
 moved to accept the treasurer's report. Betty Belge seconded the motion. The
 report was accepted.
- 3. There was no new information to report on water testing. A base line has been established and it has been agreed to wait several years before testing is done again. If anyone would like a copy of the CSLAP report give Jim Corriveau your e-mail address, and he will provide you with a copy.
- 4. The beaver population was discussed. Beavers have been spotted on the lake. No additional action was identified at this time.
- 5. The lake level was discussed and it was agreed that the lake level was low. None of the of four families that are allowed have pulled out the beaver dam on the outlet. It is not known who did pull out the beaver dam.
- 6. The zoning regulations in the Town of Theresa were discussed. The notification process that is in effect was discussed. In some cases notification appeared in the Watertown paper and in some cases people were asked to send registered letters to their neighbors. In addition, changes to land level and the impact it has on erosion was discussed. It is not known what the DEC requirements are related to changing the contour of the land and its impact on neighbors and the lake. Adding sand to the lake was also discussed and again it is not known what the DEC allowances are for this. Several actions came out of this discussion in order for the members of the Lake Association to gain more knowledge of the regulations.

Nancy Girard will contact the DEC to see if they would be willing to have a member come to a meeting in August in order to educate people on what is and is not allowed and the processes that need to be followed.

Lorry McMahon will write a letter to the Town of Theresa to get a copy of the current Zoning regulations. (This was done through a motion made by Bob Belge and seconded by Nancy Girard).

Nancy Girard will develop a list of questions by compiling questions provided by Lake Association members that have been provided to her by placing them in her mailbox.

Nancy Girard will try to determine if a resource from the Town of Theresa could also attend a meeting in August and answer questions and educate Association members.

Nancy Girard will determine a date in August for a follow-up meeting.

- 7. The position of vice-president of the Lake Association was discussed since this position was vacated by Henry Koster. Tom Flynn expressed an interest. Mary Corriveau moved that Tom Flynn be chosen as vice-president of the Association. Nancy Girard seconded the motion and it was passed.
- 8. A motion was made to close the meeting by Paula Hayden. It was seconded by Mike Carter. The meeting closed at 12:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sixberry Lake Association

Special Meeting

Saturday, August 23rd, 2008

10:30 am

Nancy Girard's Cottage

Phone: 628-4624

Agenda

Review Zoning Laws in the Town of Theresa

Review DEC Requirements*

Review Army Corp of Engineer Requirements*

* if possible, representatives will be in attendance

An updated list of Sixberry Lake Property Owners will be available at the meeting

Sixberry Lake Association

Special Meeting

Meeting of August 23rd, 2008

Present: Lorry McMahon, Bob Belge, Betty Belge, Tom Flynn, Nancy Girard, Paula Hayden, Bob Varney, Alice Sears, Ann Halback, Earl Halback, Sally Sauer, Bobbi Main, Mary Marcon, John Marcon, Roxanne Flynn, Patti Miller, Richard Sauer, Michael Carter, Jean Girard, Len Main

The meeting was called to order by Tom Flynn at 10:42 am on August 23rd, 2008.

Tom reviewed the Town of Theresa Zoning regulations based on the Zoning Regulations published on February 10th, 1999. The property on Sixberry Lake falls under CAR regulations (conservation, agriculture, residential). Lot requirements are as follows:

30,000 sq. ft. Min. Lot area

150 ft. Min lot width

30 ft. Min. front yard

50 ft. Min rear yard

20 ft. Min side yard each side

Many cottages on the Lake are grandfathered since they were built prior to the zoning regulations as long as no modifications are made to the structure.

There is a variance process that exists for exceptions to the lot requirements. This requires an application to the Zoning Board of Appeals and may require a hearing. Tom Flynn has a copy of the Zoning regulations if anyone has any specific questions.

A petition was proposed to the Town of Theresa to require the Town of Theresa to notify in writing the adjoining property owners of any property that is submitting an application for variance to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Tom Flynn moved to submit the partition on behalf of the people present. Nancy Girard seconded the motion and it was accepted.

The Level of the Lake was discussed. Alice Sears proposed that a standpipe be considered to maintain the lake level at a consistent level. It was agreed that this was worth investigating and will be discussed at the annual meeting in 2009.

Concerns were voiced about motorized watercrafts coming too close to dock/swim areas and using excessive speeds. Also, violations to the boat launch limit of 9.9 hp being launched from the public boat launch was discussed. It was asked if people rent out their cottages or allow others to use them, to make sure people are aware of the motorized water craft regulations. The Sixberry Lake Association will also submit a letter to the DEC to request more enforcement of the motor launch limit at the public boat launch.

Tom Flynn made a motion to have Bob Belge act as the Sixberry Lake Association representative to the Jefferson County Lake Association and that Rich Sauer act as the alternate. This was seconded by John Marcon and Paula Hayden and the motion passed.

Nancy Girard contacted the DEC to see if a representative could come to this meeting. Due to vacation conflicts, she was not able to get a DEC representative to attend. It was suggested that a list of questions be put together and sent to the DEC. Please send any questions you might want to submit to the DEC to lorrym@rochester.rr.com or mail them to Lorry McMahon, 178 South Main St., Fairport, New York 14450.

Milfoyle has been found in Sixberry Lake. This is the plant that has taken over the shallow waters in Millsite Lake. It grows in water less than 20 feet deep and should be pulled out by its roots and composted.

Purple loosestrife has been found in the land areas around the lake. This is a plant that will overtake other vegetation. It should be pulled up by its roots and destroyed to prevent spreading. Clipping flowers will also help reduce the spread of this plant.

Two proposals were made and passed. One was to reimburse Lorry McMahon for the costs of copies, stamps, and other expenses. The other was to reimburse Tom Flynn for the cost of the tax maps.

Tax maps and a current list of Sixberry Lake owners are available from Tom Flynn or Nancy Girard. If you are not a member of the Sixberry Lake Association, there will be a small charge for the tax maps.

Tom Flynn closed the meeting at 11:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2008 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Report
- 4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 11th, 2009

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Tom Flynn's Cottage

Please bring a chair Phone: 315-493-3488

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 11th, 2009

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Betty Belge, Bob Belge, Nancy Girard, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau, Paula Hayden, Earl Halback, Ann Halback, Richard Sauer, Jean Giranfagna, Al Giranfagna

The meeting was called to order by Tom Flynn at 10:34 am on July 11th, 2009.

- 1. Tom started the meeting by thanking Mary Girard for her efforts over the past several years in getting the Sixberry Lake Association started and for leading the Association as its president. He also recognized Mary Marcon and Lorry McMahon for their efforts as the treasurer and secretary of the Association.
- 2. The meeting notes from the 2008 Annual Meeting were reviewed. Nancy Girard moved to accept the notes as written and Mary Corriveau seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as written.
- 3. The treasurer's report was presented by Nancy Girard for Mary Marcon. The cash on hand is \$1649.77. There was some discussion of the annual dues amount. It was agreed that we keep it at \$20 per year per camp. Bob Belge moved that we accept the treasurer's report. Paula Hayden seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was accepted.
- 4. The Lake level was discussed. No problems on this subject were identified.
- 5. Suds have been identified at the edge of the lake in some areas. Biodegradable soap should be used in and around the lake to prevent soap from getting into the lake.
- 6. Several larger boats have been seen on the lake this summer. If you rent your cottage, please make sure the people are aware of the rules for using motorized watercrafts. The rules can be found on the web site www.nvparks.com/recreation/boating/resources. The main concern is boats coming too close to swim areas at excessive speeds.
- 7. The Halbeck's have seen milfoil in the lake near their shore. Milfoil grows in about 20 feet of water. The only way to eliminate it is to take it out by its roots. Any living cells will re-root. Please be on the look out for this weed and remove it so that it does not spread.
- 8. Bob Belge was nominated to be vice-president of the Sixberry Lake Association. All other officers were nominated to keep their existing positions. Richard Sauer moved to accept this slate of officers. Nancy Girard seconded the motion. The motion was passed with Tom Flynn as president, Bob Belge as vice-president, Mary Marcon as treasurer, and Lorry McMahon as secretary.

9. A motion was made by Tom Flynn to close the meeting and was seconded by Nancy Girard. The meeting was closed at 11:15 am.

Respectively submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2009 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Reports
- 4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population Suds in the Lake Milfoyle Boats using excessive speed

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers President (If anyone is interested in being president or has questions about what this entails please contact Lorry McMahon at 585-233-8234)
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 3rd, 2010

Time: 10:30 am

Place: McMahon's Cottage 42079 McMahon Road

315-628-5626

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 3rd, 2010

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau, Richard Sauer, Jean Giranfagna, Al Giranfagna, Bob Varney, Jim Muhs, Linda Muhs

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:42 am on July 3rd, 2010.

- The meeting notes from the 2009 Annual Meeting were reviewed. One change was the
 replacement of Nancy Griard's name in place of Mary Marcon's. John Marcon moved to accept
 the notes and Al Giranfagna seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted with the change
 indicated.
- 2. The treasurer's report was presented by Mary Marcon. Expenses for the year were \$340.00. The cash on hand is \$1637.63. Rich Saurer moved that we accept the treasurer's report. Jim Corriveau seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was accepted.
- 3. The CSLAP program was discussed. Jim Corriveau who conducted the sampling in the past recommended that we retest in two years. In order to do this, we will need a volunteer to take samples.
- 4. The lake level was discussed with no issues being identified.
- 5. Rich Sauer spoke about the Indian River Lake Conservancy. He shared that a new park has been built on Burns Road and that there is island hiking on Grass Lake.
- 6. John Marcon reported that he shot one beaver this year in his on-going effort to control the beaver population.
- 7. Suds have been identified at the edge of the lake in some areas. Biodegradable soap should be used in and around the lake to prevent soap from getting into the lake.
- 8. It was reported that Ed Halbeck did confirm that there is milfoil in the lake. John Marcon also reported that it is in the area around his cottage. John Marcon volunteered to investigate ways to destroy the milfoil.
- 9. The need to replace Tom Flynn as president of the Sixberry Lake Association was discussed. No one wanted to take the position at this time, but several folks are thinking it over. This topic was tabled until 2011.
- 10. A motion was made by Al Giranfagna to close the meeting and was seconded by Mary Marcon. The meeting was closed at 11:16 am.

Respectively submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2010 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Committee Reports
- 4. Old Business

Lake Level and Beaver Population Suds in the Lake Milfoyle Boats using excessive speed Lake Sampling

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 2rd, 2011

Time: 10:30 am

Place: McMahon's Cottage 42079 McMahon Road

315-628-5626

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 2nd, 2011

Present: Jim Muhs, Linda Muhs, Rich Sauer, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Jean Gianfagna, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau, John McMahon, Lorry McMahon

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:40 am on July 2nd, 2011.

The 2010 meeting noted were reviewed and some name corrections were made. With those changes, the meeting notes were moved for approval by Rich Saurer and seconded by Jean Gianfagna.

Mary Marcon made the treasurer's report. The association has \$2157.63 on hand.

No committee reports were made.

There were no new issues noted with the Lake Levels.

It was agreed that we need to continue to thin out the beaver population.

Milfoyle in the lake was discussed. The first step would be to identify if we have a problem with milfoyle in Sixberry Lake. Rich Sauer said that he would follow up with the Indian River Conservancy to see if someone there might be able to help.

Jim Corriveau agreed to follow up with the State to see if they are still doing the CSLAP program. If so, then we would need to agree incurring the cost of water testing and find someone to take samples over the summer.

Rich Sauer shared information on the Indian River Lakes Conservancy.

Mary Marcon agreed to continue to act as Treasurer and Lorry McMahon agreed to continue to act as secretary to the Sixberry Lake Association. No one expressed an interest in becoming president or vice- president. These two positions will be tabled until 2012.

The meeting was closed at 11:33 am with a movement by Mary Corriveau with a second by Rich Sauer.

Respectively submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2011 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Indian River Lake Conservancy Elliot Hillback
- 4. Old Business

Lake Level
Beaver Population
Suds in the Lake
Milfoyle
Boats using excessive speed
Lake Sampling

- 5. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 7th, 2012

Time: 10:30 am

Place: McMahon's Cottage 42079 McMahon Road

315-628-5626

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 7th, 2012

Present: Sally Sauer, Rich Saurer, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Nancy Girard, Mike Carter, Susan Garcia-Tunon, Kevin Murray, Jean Gianfagna, John McMahon, Lorry McMahon, Eric Onderdonk, Sandy Elliot

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:40 am on July 7th, 2013.

The 2012 meeting notes were reviewed and moved to be accepted by Nancy Girard and seconded by John Marcon. The meeting notes were accepted.

Mary Marcon made the treasurer's report. The association has \$2277.63 cash on hand. Nancy Girard moved to accept the treasurer's report and was seconded by Rich Saurer. The report was accepted.

Sandy Hillback gave a review of the Indian River Lake Conservancy. The Conservancy is a volunteer land trust that currently owns 1800 acres in the area. Some of this consists of 900 acres as the Grand Lake Reserve, a 50 acre island in Grass Lake, and a 26 acre swamp. Wet lands are critical to maintaining the environment and Federal Grants are available to help with this. Key focus of the Conservancy is on education and water quality. The Conservancy is looking for volunteers to help in these efforts. Rich Saurer is a member of the Conservancy and can answer any questions that you might have.

Old business was addressed next.

The lake level has been low. The dam beaver dam had been taken out in the Spring. There had not been a lot of beavers over the winter. John Marcon noted that 2 had been shot during the past year.

If people see milfoyle, it needs to be taken out by the roots or it will regrow. Boats using excess speed is an on-going issue.

Lake sampling was discussed and it was agreed that we should do another round of lake water testing. Rich Saurer is willing to take the samples and submit them for testing. He will need training and contact information.

It was moved that Nancy Girard be elected as President of the Sixberry Lake Association. This was moved for approval by Lorry McMahon and seconded by John Marcon. The move was accepted. It was moved the Mike Carter be elected as Vice-president of the Sixberry Lake Association. This was moved for approval by John Marcon and seconded by Mary Marcon. The move was accepted.

The meeting was closed at 11:26 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lorry McMahon

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2012 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Old Business

Lake Level Beaver Population Milfoyle Courtesy on the Lake Lake Sampling

4. New Business

Fire Pits

5. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday, July 6th, 2013

Time:10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

42329 Warneck Road

315-604-7370

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 5th, 2014

Present: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, Nancy Girard, Mary Marcon, Jean Gianfagna, Sally Sauer, Rich Sauer, Jerry Cole, Earl Halbeck

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:44 am on July 5th, 2014. Introductions were made to all participants.

Jerry Cole, President of the Grass Lake Association, was introduced by Rich Sauer. Rich is on the board of directors for the Indian River Lake Conservancy (IRLC) and a member of the Sixberry Lake Association. Jerry shared with the group a program that the Grass Lake Association has been involved with on developing a Lake Management Plan for Grass Lake. The program is sponsored by SUNY Oneonta and the IRLC.A Lake Management Plan main focus is on water quality and it outlines what impacts are controllable to maintaining or improving water quality. The program spans two years and a graduate student from Oneonta is assigned to a lake to develop a plan. A student usually begins by sending our a questionnaire to the Lake owners and develops a prioritized list as to what is important to the Lake owners. Water sampling and testing is done over the two year span. Watershed, invasive plants,fish,wildlife, swimming and boating are all things that are looked at with the plan. The quality of a lake is the biggest asset to Jefferson County and to property owners. The focus of the study is to understand the lake and to understand what people on the lake can do to maintain the lake quality.

The cost of the program is bourn by Oneonta College, the IRLC, and a Lake Association . The cost to a Lake Association is \$3k over a two year period along with giving assistance to the graduate student. A Lake Management Plan was developed by Dr. Richard Lamb in 1999 as part of setting up the Lake Association. The program can start in September if a student is available.

Jerry Cole also recommended that setting up a Lake Association web site is a good way to develop and improve communication of the lake.

Mary Marcon made the treasurer's report. The cash on hand is currently \$3117.63.

Meeting notes from the last meeting were sent out prior to the meeting.

Rich Sauer made a motion to accept both reports and was seconded by Earl Halbeck. The treasury report and meeting notes were accepted.

In terms of old business, Mary Marcon reported that no beavers were killed this year. The lake level has been consistent with no concerns brought up. Milfoyle is beginning to invade our lake in the shallow, warm areas. If property owners feel that people are using excessive speed on the lake, they need to video tape it and turn it into police. If possible, we recommended talking to the folks involved first.

Rich Sauer covered the CSLAP program. Sixberry Lake Association was involved with the CSLAP program up to 2002. Water testing and water quality is the main focus of the CSLAP program. Rich attended training this spring to understanding what is required to become involved with the CSLAP program. The program is sponsored by the New York State Federation of Lakes. It involved taking 8 samples over a summer and submitting the samples for testing. The cost of testing is \$350 per year which is bourn by the Lake Association. Dave Berup of Route 37 lumber is willing to send the samples to Fed-ex so that the Lake Association would not need to bear the cost of shipping the samples in addition to the testing. Rich stated that we were too late to get into the program for 2014 but that we could get into the program for 2015. Rich also recommended that the Lake Association join the NYSFederation of Lakes. The one question raised was whether or not the CSLAP testing would be redundant if we participated in the Oneonta program.

Under new business, Lorry McMahon brought up that Rich has recommended that the Sixberry Lake Association become a member of the Indian River Lake Conservancy.

The following motions were made:

Rich Sauer moved that we support having a Oneonta Student develop a Lake Management Plan for Sixberry Lake. Sally Sauer seconded the motion. The motion was passed. Lorry McMahon will contact Prof. Willard Harmon to see if we can get into the program.

Rich Sauer made the motion as follows: Provided that the Oneonta program does not cover the same water testing as the CSLAP program, Sixberry Lake Association will be part of the CSLAP program for 2015. In preparation for this, the Sixberry Lake Association will join the New York State Federation of Lakes. This was seconded by Lorry McMahon. The motion passed. Rich will determine whether or not this testing is a duplication or not.

Lorry McMahon made the motion that Sixberry Lake Association become a family member of the Indian River Lake Conservancy. The motion was seconded by Nancy Girard. The motion passed.

The need to update our list of property owners and to develop a better understanding of the Lake Association by property owners was discussed. A subcommittee was set up to develop a plan for doing this. Such things as door to door contact of property owners, a Sixberry Lake Association website, on-going e-mails, and social events are some of the possible directions that this group could take. The group will consist of the following people: John Marcon, Jean Gianfagna, Earl Halbeck, Rich Sauer, and Lorry McMahon.

The current officers will remain the same since there was no one interested in assuming any of the roles.

A follow-up meeting was proposed to specifically cover The CSLAP program, The Development of a Lake Management Plan by an Oneonta student, and the membership

committee progress. This meeting will be held on Saturday, August 30th 2014 at 10 am at Nancy Girard's cottage.

The meeting was closed at 12:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 6th, 2013

Present: Lorry McMahon, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau, Daniel Rubado, Nancy Girard, Mike Carter, Linda Muhs, Jim Muhs, Mary Marcon, Sally Sauer, Rich Sauer

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard at 10:41 am on July 6th, 2013. Introductions were made by all the participants.

The meeting notes for 2012 were reviewed. Corrections were noted to the names of folks were attended the 2012 meeting. Sally Sauer moved to approved the notes as amended and was seconded by Mary Corriveau. The meeting notes were accepted as amended.

Mary Marcon made the treasurer's report. In 2012, \$360.00 was collected. To date in 2013, \$180.00 was collected. The cash on hand was reported at \$2817.63. Rich Sauer moved to accept the treasurer's report and was seconded by Sally Sauer. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Old business was covered.

The lake level was reported to be low. No one knew when the last time the dam had been taken out.

The beaver population was covered. No beavers had been shot in the past year. A new beaver lodge was reported across from the boat launch. At this time there was no report of any beaver problems.

Courtesy on the lake was covered. Folks were reminded that there is a 5 mph speed limit out to the middle of the lake. Higher speeds can only be used in the middle of the lake.

Sampling of the lake water for water quality analysis was covered. This is part of the CSLAP program. Rich Sauer has agreed to do the sampling. Rich planned to attend classes on how to do the sampling. Also, Jim Corriveau offered to help train people on doing the water sampling. Sixberry Lake was last tested in 2004. This testing helps to define the health and character of the lake. It does not address water potability. Stocking of Sixberry Lake was discussed. The lake was stocked in 2012 with lake trout and Atlantic salmon. There is a web site available that documents when the lake is stocked.

New business was covered.

Nancy Girard discussed that Jefferson County has outlawed fire pits. In order to be legal, fire rings to contain the fire are needed. The rings must have a cover and bottom metal.

Jim Corriveau made note that Fireworks impact the quality of the lake. There is a chemical in fireworks that can impact he water quality of the lake.

Rich Sauer gave an update on the Indian River Lake Conservancy. Rich discussed the new acquisition of Boyd Pond by the Conservancy. A grant has been obtained to make

the trails around the pond handicap accessible. There will also be a boat launch on the pond. The Conservancy has also developed a one mile loop on the island owned by the Conservancy on Grass Lake. Rich has trail maps of the land that the Conservancy has acquired and developed. Rich also reminded everyone that the Indian River Conservancy has an annual fund raising meeting in the summer and encourages everyone to attend this meeting in the future to help support the work of the Conservancy.

The meeting was moved to be closed at 11:30 am by Mary Corriveau and seconded by Rich Sauer.

Respectfully submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2013 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Old Business

Lake Level Beaver Population Milfoyle Boats using excessive speed Lake Sampling

- 4. New Business
- 6. Election of Officers
- 7. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday July 5th, 2014

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

Sixberry Lake Residents' LOVE YOUR LAKE Party

When: Saturday, August 9, 2014

2pm - 4pm

Rain or Shine

Where: Ann & Earl Halback's Camp

in the cove on the West side of the lake.

Cost: FREE! FREE! FREE!

Come join your lake neighbors for a fun afternoon of food and drinks and the opportunity to celebrate our good fortune to live on such a beautiful lake.

Since parking is limited it is recommended you come by kayak, canoe or small boat if at all possible. Docking space will also be limited so boat pool if you can.

Please respond by calling Ann Halback at 315-681-1267 before August 2, 2014 with a yes or no. This will help with the amount of food and beverages to purchase.



Sixberry Lake Association

Special Meeting

Agenda

- 1. Lake Management Plan by an Oneonta Student
- 2. CSLAP Program for 2015
- 3. Committee Report on Membership

Nancy Girard's Cottage Saturday, August 30th, 2014 10:00 am 315-604-7370

Sixberry Lake Association Special Meeting August 30th, 2014

Present: Nancy Girard, John McMahon, Lorry McMahon, Rich Sauer, Jean Gianfagna, Mary Marcon, John Marcon, Monica Leclerc, Rich Leclerc, Chelsea Halback, Earl Halback, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 am.

Rich Sauer reported on the Oneonta program. The Oneonta program involves getting a graduate student from Oneonta College to study the lake and develop a lake management plan. Sixberry Lake is on the list of potential lakes that could get a student. The first step is for the students to decide which lake they want to study. Currently there are 27 lakes that are interested. On September 23rd, the students and Bill Harmon, the professor, will be interviewing people from both Millsite Lake and Sixberry Lake. Earl Halbeck, Jeanne Gianfagna, Mary Corriveau, and Rich Leclerc all volunteered to be available to talk to the students and Bill Harmon on the 23rd. Rich Sauer volunteered to coordinate this with Bill Harmon. The cost of this program for the association is \$1500 per year for two years.

The CSLAP program was discussed. It was agreed by the group that we would pursue this program starting in 2015. Earl Halback volunteered to attend the training for taking the water samples. Since we have not been in this program since 2004, we are going to be treated as a new lake in the program and will be committed to doing the testing for 5 years in order to participate. This will cost about \$350 per year.

There was a motion by Rich Sauer and seconded by Jim Corriveau to raise the Sixberry Lake Association dues from \$20 per year to \$30 per year starting in 2015 in order to cover the cost of the CSLAP program and the Oneonta program. This motion was passed.

The Subcommittee reported on their work. A party was held on August 9th and it was very successful. Twenty-six people attended. There was a favorable response to such an event by those that could not attend. It was agreed that we would have a similar event in **2015 on August 1st**. So please mark your calendar and hold the date. A website for Sixberry Lake was also discussed by the subcommittee. Chelsea Halback volunteered to develop a website. Thank you Chelsea. The subcommittee will meet again before July 5th, 2015.

The annual Sixberry Lake Association meeting will be held on **Sunday**, **July 5th** due to the holiday on Saturday at 10:30 am at Nancy Girard's Cottage. The meeting was closed at 10:57 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Indian River Lakes Conservancy
- 2. Sixberry Lake Study
- 3. Review Minutes from 2014 Annual Meeting
- 4. Treasurer's Report
- 5. CSLAP Program
- 6. Love your Lake Party
- 7. Funding for 2015-2016
- 8. Other New Business
- 9. Old Business
- 10. Close of Meeting

Date: Sunday July 5th, 2015

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

315-604-7370

Sixberry Lake Association

2015 Annual Dues \$30.00 per property

Please consider an extra donation for 2015 to support the Oneonta Lake study and the CSLAP program

Send dues(if you have not already given) and donations to Mary at the address below:

Mary Marcon 201 Heather Lane Camillus, N.Y. 13031

Please join us for the second annual

Love Your Lake Party on Saturday, August 1st, 2015

2:00 - 4:00 pm at Earl and Ann Halback's Cottage rsvp to Ann by July 25th

315-681-1267 or ahalback@gmail.com

wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres everyone is welcome Parking limited. If possible, please come by boat.

Save the date

Sixberry Lake Study - Kathleen Marean - Oneonta College

Saturday, October 3rd, 2015 -10:30 am - IRLC Office, Stein Rd, Redwood

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 5th 2015

Present: Nancy Girard, Lorry McMahon, Jean Gianfagna, Rich LeClerc, Kathleen Marean, Sandy Hillback, Ann Halback, Earl Halback, Chelsea Jay, Otto Muller, Laura Brenn, Sandra Singer, Rich Sauer, Sally Sauer, Paula Hayden, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Mary Corriveau

The meeting was called to order at 10:34 am.

Sandy Hillback covered the Indian River Lakes Conservancy (IRLC) activities as follows:

April Frederick, a full time IRLC support person, is located at the Stein Road office. Rich LeClerc is chair of the IRLC Educational Committee and Rich Sauer is chair of the IRLC Scholarship Committee. They need volunteers to assist with these programs. The IRLC is working on obtaining the National Accreditation of Land Trusts and expects to achieve it in 2016.

A total of 250 acres of land have recently been added to the IRLC. 180 acres along the Indian River and 52 acres on Stein Road in Redwood overlooking Butterfield Lake and adjacent to the IRLC office. A gazebo and trails will be built on this land. Also, in the future, a year round education building will be built on the land along Stein road and will be available for use by the lake associations, schools, and other community groups. Butterfield Lake and Lake of the Woods anticipate getting involved with the Oneonta Lake Program in 2015.

Two key areas for the IRLC for 2015 are education and water quality. The IRLC is working with the Towns of Theresa and Alexandria on developing a water shed plan for these areas and as part of that developing and giving training on new septic and well technologies. The towns of Theresa and Alexandria are looking at stricter rulings on septic systems (referred to as 75A).

A key fund raiser for the IRLC will be the Celebration of Lakes held on August 8th at Cayote Moon. All are encouraged to attend to help support the IRLC and all the activities it is involved with that support the local Lake Associations. Contact April Frederick at 315-482-4757 or visit the IRLC website at http://indianriverlakes.org for more information.

Kathleen Marean spoke on the Sixberry Lake Study. This is part of the Oneonta College graduate study program. The end product of this study will be a better understanding of the water quality of Sixberry Lake and the development of a Lake Management Plan to help ensure the water quality of Sixberry Lake is maintained and/or improved. Since October of 2014, Kathleen has been doing water sampling involved in developing temperature and oxygen profiles of the lake (these impact fish life) and understanding limiting nutrients in the lake (phosphorous and nitrogen coming into the lake from septic systems). To date she has found 15 species of plant life in the lake one of which is Eurasian water milfoil which has caused problems in some of the other Indian River lakes. She is also working on developing a Sixberry Lake water shed plan. At the

meeting, Kathleen provided in-depth information and understanding of all these topics. A meeting will be held on October 3rd at 10:30 am at the IRLC office on Stein Road where she will cover the results of her water and plant sampling and discuss the impact of this information on Sixberry Lake. It will also be an opportunity for her to cover much of the back ground information she provided at the Lake Association Meeting. At the meeting on October 3rd she will be interested in getting information from the residents of Sixberry Lake in helping to develop the Lake Management Plan. In addition to developing a better understanding of the current water quality of Sixberry Lake and what we all can do to maintain or improve it, by having a Lake Management Plan, it will help the Sixberry Lake Association qualify for government funding to support programs related to improving water quality.

A motion was made by Earl Halback and seconded by Nancy Girard to accept the meeting minutes.

Mary Marcon provided the treasurer's report for the Sixberry Lake Association (SLA). Expenses since last year's meeting totaled \$2382.19 (Oneonta program \$1500 and CSLAP program \$460).

Anticipated expenses for 2015 \$2200 (Oneonta \$1500 and CSLAP program \$460). Money collected to date \$430, which includes SLA dues and a donation of \$100, and money left over from 2014 totals \$1305. Anticipated deficit for 2015 will be about \$900. Please support the SLA by paying dues and if possible, for 2015, if you can give an extra donation to help cover the deficit in support of the Oneonta Lake Study and the CSLAP water testing program, it would be appreciated. A reminder with Mary's address has been included with the notes.

Earl and Ann Halback reported on the CSLAP program. They began water sampling in June once all the equipment was provided by FOLA. They will be sampling every two weeks for a total of 8 sets of samples for 2015. The CSLAP sampling was originally done in Sixberry Lake from 2001 through 2005. The sampling started in 2015 will be done yearly through 2020 and will give us information on any changes to the water quality of Sixberry Lake. Please contact Ann or Earl if you see something in or on the water that makes the water quality questionable so they can submit a sample for testing.

The Love your Lake Party for 2015 will be held on Saturday, August 1st from 2-4 pm at Earl and Ann Halback's cottage. If you can bring an hors d'oeuvre please let Ann know. An invitation to the party will be included with the meeting notes.

A motion to close the meeting at 12:10 pm was made by Rich Sauer and seconded by John Marcon.

Respectively submitted,

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2015 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Indian River Lakes Conservancy
- 4. Sixberry Lake Study
- 5. CSLAP Program
- 6. Love your Lake Party
- 7. New Business
- 8. Old Business
- 9. Election of Officers
- 10. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday, July 2nd, 2016

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

Warneck Road 315-604-7370

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 2nd, 2016

Present: Nancy Girard, Lorry McMahon, Earl Halback, Ann Halback, Otto Muller, Sandra Singer, Jean Gianfagna, Mary Marcon, John Marcon, Laurie Rush, Mary Corriveau, Jim Corriveau, Rich Le Clerc

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Girard.

A motion was made by Earl Halback and seconded by Jean Gianfagna to accept the 2016 meeting notes as written.

Mary Marcon provided the treasurer's report for the Sixberry Lake Association (SLA). Expenses since last year's meeting were \$1000 for the Oneonta Lake Study, \$460 for the CSLAP program, and dues for the Indian River Lake Association and NYS FOLA programs. To date from dues and extra donations the balance in the account is \$1111.20. I want to thank everyone that gave extra donations in 2015 and 2016 in support of the Oneonta Lake Study and CSLAP programs. With the current account balance and on-going annual Lake Association dues, we should be in good shape to support the CSLAP program for the next 3 years. This will meet our commitment to the CSLAP of 5 years of testing. In the future when paying Sixberry Lake Association dues, please make checks out to Mary Marcon.

Kathleen Marean will complete her study of Sixberry Lake later this year and provide us with a written copy.

Ann and Earl Halback reported on the CSLAP program. They have started testing for 2016. They met with Dr. Harmon to better understand the CSLAP testing result information. Much discussion ensued on the water quality in Sixberry Lake. Basically the Lake is in good shape but we will be using the CSLAP testing results for 5 years and Kathleen Marean's report to better understand what we need to do to maintain the high quality of Sixberry Lake's water. A big thank you to Ann & Earl for doing the testing.

John & Terri Bicks will be hosting the Love Your Lake Party on July 23rd. Please call 315-380-7588 to RSVP. An invitation is included with the meeting notes.

The beaver dam was removed in the spring for controlling the lake level.

The election of officers was conducted. Nancy Girard will remain as President, Lorry McMahon as Secretary, and Mary Marcon as Treasurer for 2 more years. This was moved by Mary Corriveau and seconded by Jean Gianfagna. If anyone is interested in taking over any of these positions, it would be welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

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SixBerry Lake

Love Your Lake Party

When: Saturday, July 23rd, 2016 3pm - 5 pm Rain or Shine

Where: John & Terri Bick's Camp
On the West side of the Lake right before Halback's Camp
Best to come by Sear's Road

Please RSVP to John & Terri at 315-380-7588 by July 20th

Please bring an hors d'oeuvre or snack. If you are interested in a book exchange, please bring a book.

Wine, beer & soft drinks will be provided

The dog barks but is friendly

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2016 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Sixberry Lake Lake Management Plan
- 4. CSLAP Program
- 5. Love Your Lake Party
- 6. New Business
 Assistance with Beaver Control
- 7. Old Business
- 8. Close of Meeting

Date: Saturday, July 8th, 2017

Time: 10:30 am

Place: Nancy Girard's Cottage

Warneck Road 315-935-1750

If you would like a copy of the Lake Management Study done by Kathleen Marean, please e-mail me at lorymcmahon@icloud.com. The management plan is only available electronically due to the size of the document.

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 8th, 2017

Present: Nancy Girard, Mary Marcon, Rich Le Clerc, Lorry McMahon

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:34 am.

A motion was made by Nancy Girard and seconded by Rich Le Clerc to accept the 2016 Meeting Notes.

Mary Marcon provided the treasurer's report for the Sixberry Lake Association. Funds collected were \$830. Expenses included CSLAP program, NYFOLA dues, and IRLC dues were \$720. There is a balance of \$1182. We still have 2 mores years to participate in the CSLAP testing program after this year. The current balance and anticipated funds to be collected should cover future CSLAP program costs, NYFOLA and IRLC dues, and the annual Love your Lake party.

The Sixberry Lake Management Plan by Kathleen Marean is available electronically. Please send me an e-mail at lorymcmahon@icloud.com if you would like a copy. Jim Nimos of Grass Lake is getting representatives of all the area lakes together to work together on implementing their Lake Management Plans.

The CSLAP testing program is in it's 3rd year. We have committed to doing the testing for 5 years. A special thanks to Ann and Earl Halback for conducting the sampling.

If anyone is interested in hosting the Love your Lake party for later this summer or for 2018, please contact Lorry McMahon at 585-233-8234 or lorrymcmahon@icloud.com.

John Marcon who has been conducting beaver control on the Lake for many years is looking for assistance with this effort. The best time to do this is in the Spring and Fall. If you are willing to help with this effort please contact John who has the necessary permits at jmarc5349@aol.com or Mary Marcon at 315-487-5306.

Rich Le Clerc shared information on beaver tubes as a way to reduce the frequency of needing to take out the beaver dam on the outlet. This should be investigated and perhaps after the CSLAP testing is complete, it may be something that could be funded by SLA.

Volunteers are needed to take over all positions on the Sixberry Lake Association. If you are interested please contact Mary Marcon or Lorry McMahon. It is important that we continue to maintain a Lake Association so that we are eligible for government funding and are tied into the IRLC and NYFOLA efforts and funding.

The meeting was closed at 11:04 am.

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Respectively submitted,

Date: Saturday, June 30th, 2018 Time: 10:30 am

Place: John and Mary Marcon's cottage 42441 Co Rte 21 (left after entering Van-Tuck Road) 315-622-8595

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2017 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- 3. Staffing Officer Positions Volunteers or establishing a committee
- 4. CSLAP Program Water quality testing
- 5. Sixberry Lake Lake Management Plan
 - Milfoyl/Algae blooms
 - Boat Inspection
- 6. New Business IRLC Water Quality Conference
- 7. Old Business
 Assistance with Beaver Control
 Lake level
- 8. Love your Lake Party 2018 Gianfagna/Hayden
- 9. Close of Meeting

Please Support the Sixberry Lake Association 2018 Annual Dues \$30 Make checks payable to Mary Marcon

> Send checks to Mary Marcon 201 Heather Lane Camillus, NY 13031

Hi Everyone,

I am writing this note to include in the packet for the Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting.

Nancy Girard, Mary Marcon and I can no longer act as the president, treasurer, and secretary for the Sixberry Lake Association. Nancy and I have held these positions since the Lake Association was formed in the 80's and Mary has held her position for over 20 years. It is time for other people to get involved and bring some new insights and ideas to the table. With this note, we are officially resigning. We look forward to working along with anyone who can take over and move forward.

The number of people and camps on the lake has increased and we have moved from being a mostly seasonal community to having many year-round homes on the lake. The main purpose of the Sixberry Lake Association is to ensure the water quality of the lake. By having a Lake Association, we are able to participate in the CSLAP water quality testing program through the NY Federation of Lakes Program. We are tied into the Indian River Lakes Conservancy and have experienced both their financial support and expertise assistance. We are eligible to apply for government grants to support such things as septic system upgrades. Having a lake association is a win-win. Neighboring associations are willing to help us with ideas on dealing with issues.

Sixberry Lake is a beautiful lake and all of our property values are linked to making sure that it stays a beautiful and clean lake. We have started experiencing some problems with milfoil and an increase in algae blooms. There is work that needs to be done to get these under control and keep them under control.

We will have two sets of data from the CSLAP programs at the end of 2019. We think it is important to continue to do this testing to see what is happening to the water quality of Sixberry Lake over time and to take action if necessary to change any derogatory trends.

We have a Lake Management Plan that was developed by Kathleen Marean through the Oneonta College Masters Program. The plan is available to everyone. We all need to become knowledgeable of what is in the plan since it can guide us in keeping Sixberry Lake a beautiful lake.

On that note, please attend the Annual Sixberry Lake Association Meeting at John and Mary Marcon's camp on Saturday, June 30th at 10:30 am. By attending, it does not mean that you will end up being made an officer of the Lake Association. What we need is to establish a committee that can work with the folks on the lake to identify people who are willing to fill those roles.

I appreciate all the support and assistance I have gotten from the folks on Sixberry Lake. Not only is it a beautiful lake, it is also a wonderful community of people.

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Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting July 8th, 2017

Present: Nancy Girard, Mary Marcon, Rich Le Clerc, Lorry McMahon

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:34 am.

A motion was made by Nancy Girard and seconded by Rich Le Clerc to accept the 2016 Meeting Notes.

Mary Marcon provided the treasurer's report for the Sixberry Lake Association. Funds collected were \$830. Expenses included CSLAP program, NYFOLA dues, and IRLC dues were \$720. There is a balance of \$1182. We still have 2 mores years to participate in the CSLAP testing program after this year. The current balance and anticipated funds to be collected should cover future CSLAP program costs, NYFOLA and IRLC dues, and the annual Love your Lake party.

The Sixberry Lake Management Plan by Kathleen Marean is available electronically. Please send me an e-mail at lorymcmahon@icloud.com if you would like a copy. Jim Nimos of Grass Lake is getting representatives of all the area lakes together to work together on implementing their Lake Management Plans.

The CSLAP testing program is in it's 3rd year. We have committed to doing the testing for 5 years. A special thanks to Ann and Earl Halback for conducting the sampling.

If anyone is interested in hosting the Love your Lake party for later this summer or for 2018, please contact Lorry McMahon at 585-233-8234 or lorrymcmahon@icloud.com.

John Marcon who has been conducting beaver control on the Lake for many years is looking for assistance with this effort. The best time to do this is in the Spring and Fall. If you are willing to help with this effort please contact John who has the necessary permits at jmarc5349@aol.com or Mary Marcon at 315-487-5306.

Rich Le Clerc shared information on beaver tubes as a way to reduce the frequency of needing to take out the beaver dam on the outlet. This should be investigated and perhaps after the CSLAP testing is complete, it may be something that could be funded by SLA.

Volunteers are needed to take over all positions on the Sixberry Lake Association. If you are interested please contact Mary Marcon or Lorry McMahon. It is important that we continue to maintain a Lake Association so that we are eligible for government funding and are tied into the IRLC and NYFOLA efforts and funding.

The meeting was closed at 11:04 am.

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Respectively submitted,

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting June 30th, 2018

Attendees: Lorry McMahon, John McMahon, John Marcon, Mary Marcon, Sue Garcia-Tunon, Laurie Rush, Kevin Murray, Earl Halback, Ann Halback, Rich LeClerc, Monica LeClerc, Michelle Goodfellow, Tom Goodfellow, Amy Tettault, Jeff Tettault, Brad Dombrowsky, Sandra Singer, Otto Muller

The meeting was called to order by Lorry McMahon at 10:38 am.

Otto Mueller corrected the 2017 meeting minutes. Jim Ninos should replace Jim Nimos in the notes. The meeting notes were accepted with this one correction.

Mary Marcon provided the Treasurer's report. Dues collected for the fiscal year were \$510. Expenses for the year were \$620 which consisted of funding for the CSLAP program, NYFOLA dues, and IRLC dues. Cash on hand is \$713.48. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

The following is the staffing positions for the Sixberry Lake Association based on volunteers stepping forward and by a motion being accepted at this meeting. Rich LeClerc – President

Terri Bicks – Secretary (with assistance from Patti Hotalen)
Jean Gianfagna – Treasurer (with assistance from Sue Garcia-Tunon)

Sampling for the 2018 CSLAP program has begun. We are committed to the CSLAP program through 2019. We need to decide if we want to continue with the program after 2019 or wait for a period of time and then resume. Currently it is a 5 year commitment and the cost is \$490 per year since Sixberry Lake is considered a deep lake. A big thank you to Earl and Ann Halback for doing the sampling. Lorry McMahon will contact Nancy Mueller to find out how to retrieve our CSLAP results on the internet.

Milfoil in Sixberry Lake was discussed. It has become a problem in the shallower areas of the lake. Jon Bicks has volunteered to head up an effort on determining what people can do to help clear milfoil out of their area of the lake.

Algae blooms were also discussed. Ann Halback shared that you need to stay clear of algae blooms as they can cause irritation to both humans and pets. You should not ingest any water that might have come in from the algae bloom area. The algae blooms we have in Sixberry Lake are small and appear in shallower and calmer areas in the lake.

There is a new invasive species called hydrilla which Ann shared information on and which I enclosed with the notes. If you see it do not cut it or break it off.

John Marcon reported that he has not seen any beavers. Jon Bicks has volunteered to help John Marcon with beaver control duty. John Marcon will obtain the necessary permits in the future for being able to shoot the beavers.

Earl Halback shared that blue foam from some docks is ending up at his camp at the end of the lake. Please try to replace the use of the blue foam with a plastic form or drum to float your docks.

The Love Your Lake Party will be held August 5^{th} from 2-5 pm. An invite is enclosed.

Otto Muller volunteered to create a Web Page for Sixberry Lake. Please forward any information that you would like to include on the Web site to Otto at fmuller@alfred.edu.

The meeting was closed at 11:24 am.

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Respectfully submitted,

Love Your Lake Party

Sunday August 5th, 2018 2- 5 pm

Hosted by the Al and Jean Gianfagna and Gary and Paula Hayden

Please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share, drinks provided by our hosts

You can drive or paddle over to the cove

Any questions please contact Jean at 315-771-4162 (phone/text)

Sixberry Lake Association Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2019

I. Call to order

Rich LeClerc called to order the regular meeting of the Sixberry Lake Association at 10:05 on June 29, 2019 at the LeClerc camp.

II. Attendance:

Individuals Monica LeClerc, Rich LeClerc, Terry Bick, Mike Miller, Amy Tetrault, Brad Dombrowski, Al Gianfagna, Mary Marcon, Otto Muller.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Individuals read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

a) Treasurers report from Jean Gianfagna (via Al) A new account was opened in November opening balance was 1106.73 In 2019 the treasurer has paid NYFOLA dues of 50.00, the Indian River Lakes Conservancy membership dues of 100.00 and the final year of the 5-year CSLAP program participation of 470.00 have been paid. Dues of 30.00 have been collected so far this season. The current balance of the association account is 726.73

Discussion of the benefits to the association through these memberships ensued. The data collection of lake quality, the conservation of natural lands and the ability to identify risks to lake such as toxic algaes were the primary benefit. Please pay Sixberry Lake Association dues (\$30.00) to Jean Gianfagna 320 Paddock Street Watertown, NY 13601

b) CSLAP PROGRAM/ Discussion of the program and participation renewal included the advantages and costs of the program. Monica and Rich LeClerc are currently taking periodic water samples for inclusion in this program. JCC biology classes also sample the water in the fall and winter. Phosphorous and nitrates are both within healthy ranges. There was a toxic algae bloom in the lake last year but the overall reports show the lake as a healthy lake.

Through discussion it was determined, that a renewal of participation in the CSLAP program was not needed at this time. due to several years of consistent data and the ability to send water samples to the DEC for testing. However, the Association would take it back under consideration on an annual basis.

A motion was made by Rich LeClerc to not renew participation in the 5-year program it was seconded by Otto Muller. A unanimous vote of present members carried the motion

- BEAVER MANAGEMENT/ Currently the Lake Association supports the lethal control of the Beaver population with DEC Approval. John Marcon hold this permit. Jon Bick has also The control of the Beaver Population in the lake is necessary for the management of lake levels, water quality and lake habitats. Other options such as Beaver Tubes and Beaver trapping were discussed but deemed not workable solutions for the lake. Al Gianfagna and Gary Hayden monitor the lake level and dismantle dams at the outlet as necessary. There will be no change in the management at this time
- d) LAKE MANAGEMENT/ A discussion of lake habitats, lake vegetation included the idea of monitoring boats at the launch with volunteers and or, signage asking boaters to monitor their boats for invasive species. A wide variety of vegetation native to the region has also proliferated. The discussion on controlling invasive water species particularly Eurasian milfoil included the various control methods, aquasides, hand harvesting, mechanical harvesting and bottom mats. Rich LeClerc will look into permitting requirements and the association with consider the use of mats at a volunteer location as a test case for possible future association action No official action was taken at this time.

V. New business

- a) LOON NEST/ A discussion of the difficulty of nesting Loons and the possibility of building a nesting platform resulted in Mike Miller volunteering his shoreline as a location and Monica LeClerc contacting the "Adirondack Loon Lady" for information on the requirements (The Rush family volunteering via email the financial support for materials) no official action taken
- b) MEETING DATES/Discussion regarding planning for future Association meeting included the idea of consistency for planning purposes. A motion was made by Terry Bick to make the last Saturday of June the recurring date for the Sixberry Lake Association it was seconded by Mike Miller. A unanimous vote of present members carried the motion. The 2020 Sixberry Lake Association Meeting will be Saturday June 27, 2020 location to be determined
- c) LAKE DIRECTORY/WELCOME NEWSLETTER/ A discussion regarding the advantages of sharing with both new and current lake residents information about the lake, its residents and the Association. A motion was made to create the newsletter, including a map of lake property owners and links to the Sixberry Lake Association Facebook page and the website. The documents to be distributed by Association members to lake residences upon its completion. A budget of \$50.00 was suggested. A motion to create and distribute was made by Terry Bick seconded by Mike Miller and Mary Marcon.
- d) LOVE THE LAKE PARTY- Discussion on 2019 locations and dates occurred Bick's hosting Date TBD. The Love the Lake party will be held in 2020 at the Tetrault's new camp.

VI. Adjournment

Rich LeClerc adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Minutes submitted by: Terry Bick

Sixberry Lake Association Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2020

I. Call to order

ZOOM called to order the regular meeting of the Sixberry Lake Association at 9:00 on July 11, 2020 via Zoom. (An appeal was made for people to share cell phone numbers and emails with Terry please ask others not in attendance!

II. Attendance:

Lake Association members, Terry Bick, Rich LeClerc, Al Gianfagna, Mary Marcon, John Marcon, Jim Corveau Mary Corveau, Paula Hayden, Susan Tunon-Garcia, Laurie Rush, Patty Hotalen, Chris Hotalen, Mark Cianciolo, Cathy Backus, Steve Backus, Guest: Jacob Ball from IRLC

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Individuals read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

- a) Treasurers report from Jean Gianfagna (via Al) In 2020 the treasurer has paid NYFOLA dues of 50.00, the Indian River Lakes Conservancy membership dues. Dues of \$390.00 at 30.00 per camp have been collected so far this season. The current balance of the association account is 1146.73
 - Please pay Sixberry Lake Association dues (\$30.00) to Jean Gianfagna 320 Paddock Street Watertown, NY 13601
- b) CSLAP PROGRAM/ Discussion of the program and participation renewal included the advantages and costs of the program. Discussion of the ability to rejoin the CSLAP program in the future was explored. Rich LeClerc indicated that we could rejoin the program at any time in the future should concerns arise. No official action was taken at this time.
- c) BEAVER MANAGEMENT/ Currently the DEC supports the lethal control of the Beaver population in Sixberry Lake. John Marcon hold this permit John noted that the Beaver population at this time is not a large concern, with only one or two being observed contrary to years where there were eight or ten. No official action was taken at this time.
- d) LAKE MANAGEMENT Our Guest Jacob Ball is a lake management expert and currently employed as a water steward by the Indian River Lakes Conservancy. He shared information regarding vegetation native to the region and invasive species. He also shared an opportunity for voluntary participation in an IRLC initiative for next year. A hard pull harvest for interested lake/land owners. He noted that Saranac Lake has undertaken this method effectively eradicating Eurasian Milfoil there. We discussed the possibility of use of dive teams to engage in this at deeper depths Jacob stated that hand pulling was the preferred method for divers as well as it

causes the least disruption to the lake bed. Susan raised a question on the use of bottom mats, Jacob affirmed their effectiveness and explained that they required a DEC permit but he believed one was easily attainable should anyone wish to pursue it. No official action was taken at this time.

We also discussed the clarity of the lake currently, Jacob suggested it was a result of a dry season, little run off of nutrients from surrounding soils

V. New business

- a) LOON NEST /We recognized that the McMahons had built a nesting platform at their shore, and hope they keep it in place for next year as Loons take a couple of years to get accustomed to the idea. Hopefully that will be a success in future years. Rich shared that a nesting pair had successfully produced two eggs but it appeared that the nest had been raided and the eggs cleaned out, probably by a raccoon. Concern was raised regarding large wakes from boaters near shorelines as a possible disruption to the nest and a caution will be added to the newsletter to remind recreational boater, jet skier, tubers to keep to the center of the lake and minimize shoreline wakes. No official action was taken
- b) BOAT LAUNCH activity Rich also shared that the DEC has been notified of the increasing unsanctioned activities at the boat launch. The DEC has increased monitoring the area and issued citations. John Marcon requested the list of Environmental Conservation Officers assigned to our lake. We cannot add our own signage to the ramp as it is state property.
- c) LOVE THE LAKE PARTY- Discussion on 2020 location during the COVID pandemic resulted in the suggestion for a Love the Lake on Lake tie out BYOB and Food and Floats date to be determined and shared via "telephone texting" Details will be forth coming.
- d) Mary Corveau asked that our last minutes be used to have Jacob Ball update the association on IRLC activities. He shared that the Conservancy is holding some live and some Zoom events, that they are involving teens in greater numbers in their ecology program and are making plans for a watershed survey by a group of members.

VI. Adjournment

ZOOM adjourned the meeting at 9:30 am.

Minutes submitted by: Terry Bick

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting Agenda

Date: Saturday, June 26th, 2021 Time: 10:30 am

Place: Terry and Jon Bick's Barking Dog Lodge 29613 Sears Road (last right hand driveway on road)

(You may also join via Zoom-contact Terry (315) 380-7588 for details)

- 1. Review Minutes from 2020 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report- Jean
- 3. Staffing Officer Positions Volunteers for 2021-2022?
- 4. Sixberry Lake Lake Management Plan
 - Milfoil/Algae blooms
 - Boat Inspections
 - Beaver Control
 - Lake Water level
- 5. New Business
 - DEC modifications to boat launch use
- 6. Old Business
 - -Loon nesting platform
 - -Milfoil grant / Jacob from IRC
- 7. Love your Lake Party 2021 where and when?
- 8. Close of Meeting

Please Support the Sixberry Lake Association 2021 Annual Dues \$30

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Sixberry Lake Association Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2021

I. Call to order

Annual meeting Sixberry Lake Association called to order at 10:30 on June 26, 2021 in a hybrid format, in person at Barking Dog Lodge and additional participation via zoom.

II. Attendance:

Lake Association members, Terry and Jon Bick, Rich LeClerc, Al and Jean Gianfagna, John Marcon, Jim and Mary Corriveau, Paula Hayden, Susan Tunon-Garcia, Laurie Rush, Chris and Patty Hotalen, Mark Cianciolo, Cathy and Steve Backus, Laurie and Dwight Austin, Lynn and Scott Brown, Tom and Michele Goodfellow, Amy and Jeff Tetrault, Otto Muller

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Individuals read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Jean Gianfagna presented the Treasurers's Report. She asked if the Association would like to continue the annual contribution to the IRLC of \$100.00. She clarified that our funds are a contribution not a membership. John Marcon made a motion seconded by Amy that we continue our \$100 contribution. Passed unanimously.

There was a discussion of Lake Association membership in the NYS Federation of Lake Associations, NYSFOLA. NYSFOLA funds participation in the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program CSLAP. Now that Monica LeClerc has retired, we would need to find a new way to take the necessary samples to continue CSLAP analysis, but currently our lake appears to be healthy.

Jean also mentioned that Nancy Girard passed away. Terry made a motion seconded by Rich that the Association donate \$100 in her memory to St. Pauls Church in Liverpool. Passed unanimously.

Jean made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Laurie and passed unanimously.

Any unpaid dues (\$30.00) should be sent to Jean Gianfagna 320 Paddock Street Watertown, NY 13601.

V. Open Issues

- a) Love the Lake Party will be held at Tetraults on Saturday, August 7th from 3-7 pm.
- b) LAKE LEADERS MEETING Rich reported on a lake leaders zoom meeting that took place on April 15. The discussion was about whether the IRLC should represent the Indian River Lakes there are 15 of them as a group as a subset of NYSFOLA. The IRLC pays attention to what happens in the region and it could be an advantage to have a voice at NYSFOLA as a group. There could be a fee if this organization is formed. There was some discussion of whether our

lake association should join IRLC as a member as opposed to our annual donation of \$100 which is not a membership. The consensus seemed to be to stay with our annual \$100 donation. Chris made a motion seconded by Laurie that an interim Lake Association meeting should be planned in order to further discuss IRLC issues. Passed unanimously.

- c) MILFOIL Rich reported that the IRLC is establishing a strike force involving hand pulling of milfoil. Laurie reported that they experimented with the idea of hiring divers to remove the milfoil at the north end of the lake, but after a couple of hours, their divers decided that they would not be interested in a job requiring the level of effort needed to eradicate the milfoil along the shore of Rush and Marcon's. Millsite is using chemical treatment. Rich recommends reaching out to Sarah at IRLC to learn more about milfoil eradication.
- d) LOON CONSERVATION Rich reported that IRLC had applied for a grant for collection boxes for fishing line and lead to be placed at the boat launches, but the funds were denied. Mary will talk to Wiley about any further plans.
- e) IRLC Rich announced the IRLC Lake Conservancy Celebration of Lakes Event to be held on July 24th at the Bella Brooke Winery in Hammond. Also the IRLC Annual Water Quality Analysis Conference will be held on August 27th. More information about both events can be found at https://indianriverlakes.org/upcomingevents/. The last analysis of our lake was two years ago. We have had a couple of algae blooms but over all our water quality is high.
- f) BEAVER MANAGEMENT John Marcon reported that we have had no taking of beaver over the past three years. John also shared a photo of how difficult it is to dock boats at the north end of the lake when the water is low. The lake level is ideal when the water is low enough not to threaten Gianfagna's buildings but high enough for the docks in the shallower areas of the lake. The DEC permit allows taking of beaver and removal of the dam. However, Mr. Lyle Van Tassel must be notified prior to entering his property to remove the dam, and the dam cannot be taken out in its entirety at any one time in order to prevent flooding downstream. Evidently, when the dam was removed this spring, flooding damaged a property on Millsite Lake downstream.

Rich suggested that possibly some form of beaver control tube might be able to be installed at the outlet. However, that solution would require DEC permission for the tube and cooperation from Lyle.

Some of the deeds include permission to access Van Tassel's land for the purposes of removing the beaver dam. Properties with this permission include Girard's, the former Belge property, and Corriveaus. However, this permission is real estate access only and is separate from the DEC permit.

Terry made a motion that a Beaver Management Committee be formed, seconded by Jeff and approved unanimously. Volunteers for the committee include Rich, Jim Corriveau, John Marcon, Jeff Tetrault, Tom Goodfellow, and Jon Bick. The Millsite landowner should also be invited to participate.

- g) DEC AND BOAT LAUNCH Jeff reported that the DEC has put a new sign at the boat launch that prohibits swimming and day use. If you wish to report a problem at the boat launch the number to call is 1-844-332-3267. It takes 20 minutes to an hour for a DEC officer to respond. Jeff also mentioned that the DEC needs to be contacted about repairing the boat launch. Rich also reminded everyone that even though lake residents can have any type of boat on the lake, we are still subject to the boat launch HP limit.
- h) LAKE GUIDE Terry proposed the idea of preparing a guide for the lake. It will outline courtesy for lake families and guests, will provide a bit of history and information about the lake environment. Suggestions for courtesy included consideration about noise and music, mindfulness concerning pets, and being respectful of the wildlife. Otto mentioned the importance of using only non-phosphate detergents near the lake. Michele offered to help prepare the guide. The guide will also include a map and lake directory.
- i) Mary Corriveau is on the IRLC Board, and she gave a detailed report concerning IRLC activities, with additional reminders about upcoming events. She also provided additional information about IRLC assets, trail systems, and holdings, and brought pamphlets and programs to share. She also discussed a potential partnership between the IRLC and the Fort Drum Army Compatible Use Buffer Program which could potentially support additional preservation easements in the Lake system.

VI. New business

- a) LOON NEST /Thanks to the McMahons nesting platform, the loons have successfully hatched two babies. Terry will put caution signs at the boat launch to make help visitors to the lake be respectful to our loon family.
- b) Rich made a motion that Terry be the new Lake Association President with Laurie as Secretary, seconded by John Marcon, unanimous vote.

VII. Adjournment

Jean made a motion to adjourn.

Minutes submitted by: Laurie Rush

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting

Date: Saturday, June 25th, 2022 Time: 10:00 am

Place: Terry and Jon Bick's Barking Dog Lodge Sears Road (4th drive on the right past the Miller's stone art) 315-380-7588

Agenda

- 1. Review Minutes from 2020 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report-Jean Gianfagna
- 3. Old Business
 - o CSLAP Renew?
 - o Sixberry Lake Management Subcommittee report- John Marcon
 - Beaver Control
 - Lake level
- 4. New Business
 - o Lake Friendly Lake Certification fee?
 - o CSLAP Renew?
 - Officer Positions for 2022-2023 ALL POSITIONS HAVE 1 YEAR TERMS Create EVENTS COMMITTEE?
 - o Love the Lake party
 - o Family picnic day
 - o Flagless Flotilla Fiesta
 - o Paddle Palooza
- 5. Close of Meeting

Please support the Sixberry Lake Association in 2022

Annual dues \$30.00

Make checks payable to Jean Gianfagna
For your convenience you may bring dues to the meeting, to the party or
Mail them to:

Jean Gianfagna 320 Paddock Street Watertown, NY 13601 Hello Sixberry Lake Neighbors,

Welcome to the summer 2020 edition of the annual Lake Letter. It is great to welcome everyone back to the lake for another summer. We hope this letter finds you well and ready for summer adventures at our happy place. We get to congratulate long time lake lovers, <u>Kim and Ricky VanTassel</u> who have purchased their family camp from Judy Cota. We also get to welcome another new family to Sixberry Lake this year, <u>John and Barbara Gimber</u>, who have purchased land on the east side of the lake.

Our association was quite active last summer and through the winter. Water management and control of Beaver populations are governed by DEC regulation and legal obligations and so we established a <u>multi-member</u> committee, headed by John Marcon, to monitor and manage the lake level and the beaver population. Please consider joining it.

We began the process of becoming a <u>Certified Loon Friendly Lake with the help of Bonnie Sheer and Katt Nelson</u>, we will discuss this further at our annual meeting. I am happy to report that again this spring our loons are nesting on the platform built by John McMahon and perhaps will have another successful hatch!

After our 2020 summer of quarantine we were eager to enjoy the company of our friends at the lake. We created a <u>Sixberry Lake Owners Directory with the help of Michelle Goodfellow.</u> Please be sure your contact info is upto date for an an updated copy coming later this summer.

<u>Jeff and Amy Tetrault hosted the love the lake party</u>, We will establish a date and place for this years party at our annual meeting. We enjoyed our <u>first annual Paddle Palooza</u>, a <u>great idea from Paula Hayden</u> 2nd annual is in the works! Last year was also bitter sweet as we said goodbye to some long time lake folks, Nancy Girard, John Vantassel, and Jim Tucker. We will discuss how to best remember these important people at the annual meeting.

As many of you know the Sixberry Lake Association was formed in the 1980's the association provides knowledge of our lake's conditions and water quality to both year round and seasonal residents, We are connected with the Indian River Lakes Conservancy and have experienced both their financial and expertise. We also have a Lake Management Plan that was developed by Kathleen Marean through the Oneonta College Masters' Degree Program. We have also participated in the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) water quality testing program through the NY Federation of Lakes Program. Our data can be found here https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/81576.html. Our association's documents such as by-laws and past minutes can be found on the Sixberry Lake website maintained by Otto Muller http://ottohmuller.com/sixberry/Sixberry5/home.html and it contains a whole host of fascinating information about this beautiful spot. We also have a Sixberry Lake Association Facebook page join it today! This quote from long time Lake lover Otto Muller says it all...

"Some of us have been coming here for over sixty years, whereas others have just discovered this beautiful place. Some live here year-round, whereas others can never seem to make it up here enough. Some swim and sail, some fish and hunt, some kayak and canoe, some jet ski and water ski, some do all of that and more, and some just hang out, read, relax and rewind -- but everyone who comes here seems to love the place!"

On that note, please consider joining us,
Terry Bick (President), Laurie Rush (Secretary), and Jean Gianfagna, (Treasurer) at the
2020 Annual Sixberry Lake Association Meeting at Jon and Terry Bick's Camp
Saturday, June 25th at 10:00 am for our annual meeting

Best, Terry Bick Laurie Rush Jean Gianfagna

Sixberry Lake Association Annual Meeting

Date: Saturday, June 25th, 2022 Time: 10:00 am

Place: Terry and Jon Bick's Barking Dog Lodge Sears Road

Minutes

Meeting came to order at 10:05

Present: JB and Terry Bick, Jim Corriveau, Mike Miller, Jeff and Amy Tetrault, Sue Garcia-Tunon, John and Mary Marcon, Laurie Rush, Al and Jean Gianfagna, Stephen and Cathy Backus, Paula Hayden, Anna Stratton, Chris Hotalen, Otto Muller, Sandra Springer, and Tom Goodfellow

1. Terry reviewed the minutes from 2021 Annual Meeting, and also mentioned the successful paddle palooza on Labor Day

Motion to accept: Sue Garcia-Tunon, Second: Amy Tetrault, Unanimous

2. Treasurer's Report-Jean Gianfagna

The association currently has a balance of \$2071.73

Annual dues are \$30.00

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3. Old Business

- The group reviewed our CSLAP status. Our most recent analysis of water quality was in 2018. The lake appears stable.
- o Sixberry Lake Management Subcommittee report- John Marcon
 - JB reported that there is currently a good flow out of the lake, and there do not appear to be any beavers left in the lake. The lake level was 26" at ice out, 16" after the first large release of water, has been steady around 14" and as of the 25th was at 12". Steve Backus mentioned that the beaver have moved upstream from the lake. They are damming up his bond and have blocked the in flow. Scott Sears will be addressing the situation.

4. New Business

- We are close to being close to certification as a loon friendly lake, and all we need is a \$100 donation. JB made a motion to pay, second by Chris, all were in favor. Terry mentioned the McMahon's web cam and Bonnie's excellent photos.
- o CSLAP Renewal
 - Jim Corriveau described the CSLAP sample collection process. There is at least a half day of training and the person doing the sampling needs a boat in order to take both shallow water and deep water samples. Given the issues with algae blooms and invasive species, there was a consensus that it would make sense to rejoin CSLAP in 2023. There was also a brief discussion about water chestnut which has been found in the Oswegatchie. More information is provided with these minutes. Chris Hotalen mentioned that Patty might be interested in volunteering for taking the training and doing the samples. Motion to renew CSLAP: Laurie, Second: Amy, Unanimous.
- Officer Positions for 2022-2023 ALL POSITIONS HAVE 1 YEAR TERMS
 Sue Garcia-Tunon volunteered to take over the Treasurer position from Jean in 2023
- Terry provided an update on our participation in the Indian River Lakes Conservancy, IRLC.
 The consensus is that we will continue to donate to the IRLC. The Sauers donated land on Sixberry to the IRLC, and it has been sold.
- o There was discussion of whether the Lake Association should purchase an AED, they cost approximately \$1500. John Marcon pointed out that a lake the size of Sixberry would need 3 in order to have the equipment available in time to all of the residents. It would also be a challenge

to figure out where to keep them. There was consensus that we should continue to think about an AED, but in the meantime we should encourage lake residents to take the Red Cross CPR course. Al also suggested that we might want to figure out some sort of air horn distress signal for use on the Lake.

- Mike Miller made a motion that we establish an Emergency Response Committee, Seconded by Amy Tetrault. All were in favor. Chris and Amy will co-chair.
- o There was discussion of whether we should have an events committee. Anna volunteered to help Terry with events. There was consensus that there should be another Paddle Palooza. We need a host for the Love the Lake Party.
- The group discussed the DEC Stewardship Program. We can create proposals. Issues that might be addressed could include trash at the boat ramp. The Tetraults have been picking up trash there. Another challenge could be better maintenance of the road to the ramp. John and Jeff volunteered to think about the program.
- o Terry announced that there will be yoga on her deck for \$10 per person per session at her house on Thursdays beginning on 6 July.
- JB mentioned that there continues to be a problem with swimming parties at the boat launch and people washing muddy four wheelers there. The number to phone the DEC police is 1-844-332-3267, extension 5 and extension 5 again.

5. Al moved to close the meeting at 10:58.
