LAKE COMMITTEE MINUTES FEBRUARY 7, 2019

ATTENDEES: Mark Kempner, Mike Freedman, Ed Clark, Bob Fehon, Tom Alameda, John O’Connor, Keith Small, Jim Tierney, Henry Passarotti, Pat Degnan, Gerry Primavera, Art Carroll, Michael Lynch, Christine Matrisciano, & Joanne Machalaba

MEETING START TIME: 7:30 pm ADJOURNED: 9:02 pm

**OLD BUSINESS**

* The minutes from January were unanimously approved.
* Informed Committee Board approved motion to retain Princeton Hydro for 2019 season.
* Informed Committee of Boat Registration dates. March 16 (water); March 23 (land) and March 30 (pontoon & trailer).
* Reviewed the new clubhouse boat dock layout to optimize space with positive feedback.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Selection of lake applicator and contract structure was discussed including competitive bid and historical lake treatment record. Three proposals were considered, two from the current supplier Solitude (one fixed pricing and the other variable depending on treatments required) and one from Aquatic Analysts. Motion proposed to retain Solitude Lake Management for the 2019 season at a fixed cost to not exceed $39,000. Unanimous approval.
* Proposal for lake rescue equipment (all season use) to be placed at POA beaches and in security vehicles was discussed. Majority are in favor of this. Concerns raised about this encouraging more people to go on the ice in the winter and theft of the equipment. We will confer with the insurance expert next week.
* Committee agreed by majority to encourage lake front owners to have available safety equipment on their lakefront. Newsletter wording to be drafted.
* Festival Day Lake Information Table – a good place to promote lake safety, boating safety etc. Volunteers needed to staff the table throughout the weekend. Ideas of topics to be identified and materials prepared.
* Boating Safety / Docking Guide has been developed and will be shared with the Committee to finalize in time to hand out at the boat registration days.
* Fish Stocking Plan and Motion for Board approval was discussed. This is year 2 of a 3-year plan developed with Princeton Hydro, comprised of stocking minnows, yellow perch and trout. The expense of stocking trout was discussed and concluded an important part of WML activities, similar to investments made for other recreational activities. Trout stocking brings out many adults and children to fish each year. Unanimous approval of the motion for fish stocking as budgeted to not exceed $6,000.
* More “Fish Stories” in the newsletter are encouraged.
* A “Carp Round Up” was discussed as carp are very harmful to the lake and state regulations are to catch and not release. Ed and Bob will work on organizing an event.
* A “Severe Weather/Hurricane Plan” is in development to be shared with the Committee to finalize at March meeting. Points included are: emergency recovery, power outlets, power cable come alongs to hold docks to land temporarily more well supported against stresses of weather, emergency number on your boat application, text blast, etc.

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