

SHAKER PINES LAKE ASSOCIATION
October 3, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order: 7:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Attendance:

Randy Daigle, George Temple, Jeremy Stefanik, Sharon Ledger, Charlie Macsata, Jaime Macsata, Betsy Nourse, Linda Ostapoff, Dan Smith

Tax Collector – Jaime Macsata

Absent – Jaime Macsata and Dan Smith

Reading of Minutes –

September 5, 2023 – SPLA Monthly Meeting

Motion made by George Temple to accept the meeting minutes of September 5, 2023. Seconded by Charlie Macsata.

5 In favor – 2 abstain.

Recommendations & remarks from SPLA Member

Kari Monteforte – Democratic candidate for District 4 – Introduced herself to the board and all in attendance.

Lorraine Creedon – Shout out to Dan Hart for doing a great job on the maintaining the spillway during the last storm.

Mike Penner – 161 Cottage Road

Wanted to discuss the weeds in the lake upper lake. Al Zipperle 181 Cottage Road has a presentation to provide details of what is occurring. However, he is running a few minutes late. Sharon Ledger made a motion to table public communications to allow Al to present when he arrives. Seconded by Linda Ostapoff. Allow in favor.

Sharon Ledger brought up that we should have consistent references for lake owned properties. It was agreed on the we would be using the following references –

35 Cottage Road - Spillway

45 Cottage Road – Lower Cottage Beach

106 Cottage Road – Vacant lot

121 Cottage Road – Upper Cottage Road

George will purchase signs to be displayed on these properties. Also, having the addresses will help with emergencies if needed.

Al Zipperle 181 Cottage Road – completed his presentation to the board with pictures of the lake and the changes that are occurring.

Randy Daigle stated that he will discuss it later in the meeting, however, he is trying to get federal grants for hydro raking/dredging. He will be taking these photos of his meetings as they will be very helpful in building his case.

Leslie Cunningham, due to the extreme weather we have been having this year the treatments have not been very effective. The weeds/algae Al and Mike are seeing are due to the Fibrous algae. Leslie will discuss Pond and Lake Management to see what can be done next year. Leslie

also mentioned that we decided not to add any additional carp to the lake at this time due to the spillway issues.

Treasurer Report – Jeremy Stefanik

September 2023

Capital Account	\$ 140,868.93
Checking Account	\$ 24,265.15
Activity Account	\$ 1,922.00
Budget \$ remaining	\$ 178,635.86

Jeremy suggested that we transfer some of the funds in the capital account to CD's which are paying higher interest rates. He will investigate our options and bring them to the next meeting.

Tax Collector Report – Jaime Macsata

Tabled to next meeting.

Committee Reports –

Ecology - Leslie Cunningham

No additional lake treatments.

The fibrous algae issue presented by Al Zipperle will be discussed with Pond and Lake Management

Spillway Repair – Randy Daigle

Leslie Cunningham, Dan Hart, Dan Smith

Randy spoke with Barry Parfitt at Wright & Pierce requesting the documentation and the breakout of the bills received. The conversation did not go well which resulted in Tom Hogan from Wright & Pierce calling to apologize to Randy and agreeing to provide the breakdown of the information billed (service, man hours, etc.) for Randy to review.

The Town Manager has offered Nelson Tereso, Town of Enfield, Director of Economic & Development, to assist SPLA with grant writing. However, Nelson will need all the documentation from Wright and Pierce.

Original Agreement

Amendment 1 Executed

Amendment 2 Draft

DEEP Pre-Application Notes

No permit has been submitted.

Drawings Submitted to DEEP

Randy spoke to Mason Trumble – Deputy Commissioner of DEEP

No Permit has been submitted – so we might be able to file for regular permit vs individual.

DEEP will assign someone to work with SPLA.

Grants – Available

“DEEP Section 319 - Request for proposals for non-profit source pollution”

“Watershed Plan Implementation Projects”

GM2, which does a lot of work for the State and Design Professionals are both available to look at the job and provide estimates.

SPLA has been granted \$151k to fund the spillway project. \$75k ARPA monies and \$76k Town of Enfield budgeted amount.

Town wanted to be 3rd in line to allocate the funds however, they must be second to fund. We have paid Wright and Pierce somewhere in the \$25k based on the invoices previously received. Jeremy to confirm the exact amount. At this point no money has been received from the town reimbursing SPLA.

The job needs to be put out to bid to determine the construction cost.

The estimated cost at this point, which was received from Wright and Pierce is \$150,000, However, we do not feel comfortable with Wright and Pierce at this time.

Linda Ostapoff is concerned that we have not received any reimbursement from the town to date. When we requested assistance, the estimated cost was \$151,000 – which was granted to us using ARPA and Town funds. She would like to request the monies from the town and deposit into an account to earn interest.

This discussion has been tabled to executive session after meeting.

Randy will check with the town to confirm when ARPA/Town funds run out. Also, if this can change when new town council is voted in next month,

Charlie stated that he and Leslie FEMA Dam Seminar last year which was very informative. If he receives any information, he will forward it onto board members. This is funded by the federal government.

Property Committee – George Temple

George Temple, Leslie Cunningham, Linda Ostapoff, Cheryl Cote, Paul Cote, Dave Olson, Dan Smith, and Jeremy Stefanik

There are 2 outstanding invoices for NE Landscaping services. Jeremy asked to have the address changed to be delivered directly to him. He will provide George with the correct email address and George will notify NE Landscaping. When the fall cleanup at 121 Cottage – Upper Cottage beach they will look at the NE corner of property to remove the blue plastic and clean up area. They will provide an estimate of the cost.

As mentioned above, George will be purchasing and installing the address signs for the SPLA properties.

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45 Cottage Road – Lower Cottage Beach

106 Cottage Road – Vacant lot

121 Cottage Road – Upper Cottage Road

George will contact Brian Wanczyk for estimates on putting permanent power at Memorial lot. He will also ask for solar options as well. Will provide information at next meeting.

There was a table overturned and damaged at 45 Cottage Road – Lower Cottage Beach. George repaired.

Linda Ostapoff would like George to investigate a tree at 45 Cottage Road – Lower Cottage Beach as it appears to be dead.

Communications –

Newsletter - Jasmine Curry/Linda Ostapoff

Newsletter has been distributed. Jasmine did a great job.

Website – Jaime Macsata, Jeremy Stefanik

No updates this month.

Activity Committee –Linda Ostapoff

Leslie Cunningham, Jaime Macsata, Lori Parker, Carrie Temple, Stacy Daigle, Lisa Strom, Jasmine Curry, Kellie Dixon

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE MEETING Sept 19, 2023

Present: Linda Ostapoff (chair), Leslie Cunningham, Jasmine Curry, Stacey Daigle, Kellie Dixon, Jamie Macsata, Lori Parker, Lisa Strom, Carrie Temple

Absent: None

Recent events:

Childrens Fishing Derby: 15 children signed up to this event. There were prizes and a cookout.

Block Party: Block Party was held on Sunday October 1st after being postponed 3 times.

DJ Marc Veilleux was still able to play on the new date. The Porta Potty company left their equipment for us at no extra charge. Luckily Guy Beck was still able to be our grill master. About 60 people attended over the course of the afternoon. Raffles brought in \$300. The total cost was \$803.00. We will be changing the date of the block party in the future back to the original date of the Saturday after Labor Day, so we will no longer have conflict with the Big E.

Plant Sale September 30th made \$150 plus \$20 donation. We were sold completely out of all the product Justin brought from Johnny's before noon.

Fall /Winter Schedule

1. Halloween Children's event October 22, 1-3 on Memorial.
2. Harvest Lake Dance, November 3, Knights of Columbus, 7 to 11 pm.
3. Childrens Christmas Party Fundraiser November 22, at Bouna Vita Scott and Doc playing at 6 pm.
4. Food Drive December 2, at Firehouse. 9 to 12.
5. Childrens Christmas party. Date and time and place will be announced on Facebook and posters. Sign up by texting Carrie.
6. Judging Lights on the Lake Lights up by Dec 10, judging on Tuesday Dec 12. Register at email address. Prizes: Brite Nights, \$100 Target, \$50 Target.
7. The calendar will be ready to sell by November 3.

Other Topics:

Considering not putting up a Christmas tree due to difficulty, expense, and concerns over damaging Memorial Lot/ dam. Possibly will purchase a light display for the flagpole.

Thank you to the board members who have helped us with events. It is very much needed and appreciated.

Old Business

Update on Water Testing – Linda Ostapoff

Linda met with Rylan Farr from Apex the water testing company. The cost is very high \$12-15k. He provided the quote and then went on vacation. Linda will follow up.

Dam Emergency Plan – Charlie Macsata

Charlie is having issues converting file from pdf format to word. He is continuing to work on.

Records Retention – Jaime Macsata, Leslie Cunningham, and Lorraine Creedon

No Update –

New Business

Permanent Power at Memorial Lot – Randy Daigle

George will contact Brian Wanczyk for estimates on putting permanent power at Memorial lot. He will also ask for solar options as well. Will provide information at next meeting.

Motion was made by Charlie Macsata and seconded by George Temple to go into executive session.

Motion was made by Charlie Macsata and seconded by George Temple to adjourn executive session.

Closing Remarks/Round Table

Charlie Macsata made a motion to open a separate account to submit all paid invoices pertaining to the Spillway project to the Town of Enfield for reimbursement. Any monies received for reimbursement from the Town of Enfield shall be deposited in a separate account and be used for the Spillway project. Seconded by Betsy Nourse. All in favor motion passed.

Meeting adjourned

Charlie Macsata made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58PM. Seconded by Betsy Nourse. All in favor, Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Ledger

Secretary, Shaker Pines Lake Association

