

Lincoln Pond Association
August 8, 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Association President Gerry Zahavi at 9:33 am.
Gerry thanked the Adirondack History Museum for letting us use their pavilion for our meeting.

Introductions, Gerry Zahavi – Those present introduced themselves, identifying their camps and sharing whatever else they wished to share.

T-Shirts etc.

The Bradfords are taking over the sale of t-shirts and other items. They had the remaining inventory available for sale. “Henry’s Honey,” produced by Henry Bradford, was also available for purchase. He is donating the proceeds to the association. Members were encouraged sign the wish list for items such as t-shirts, glasses, sweatshirts, and any other items they would be interested in purchasing.

Minutes, Debbie Maxwell - The minutes from the 2019 meeting were summarized and accepted (the 2019 minutes are available on the www.lincolnpond.org website).

Treasurer’s Report, Jeff Sienkiewicz (see attached for detailed report)

12/31/2019 Balance - \$4044.05. 6/30/20 Funds on hand \$4794.09.

Jeff summarized the income and expenses. Income included dues, town share of Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program CSLAP (Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program) water testing fees, t-shirt sales, and Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) grant monies. Expenses included CSLAP, t-shirt purchase, grant-associated expenditures, and expenses for last year’s annual meeting and picnic. The projected 2020 budget included expenses that will NOT be incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Jeff -- and attending members -- offered thanks to Judy Schwarz for all of her work over the years in helping to raise money for the Association.

A motion was made from the floor to raise dues to \$20 in 2021; it was passed after being amended to include a “new members special”: all new members will pay only \$15 in their first year and \$20 afterwards. The new dues level will start in 2021.

Elections, Gerry

Running for re-election were Jeff Sienkiewicz for treasurer and current directors Judy Schwarz (Frances Meyers Way) and Laura Garrison (Lower Pond Way). Bill Martin offered to serve for Twin Brooks as Jeff Wright is stepping down. This slate was elected unanimously.

Road Issues – Lynn and Lori

Lynn (Egglefield-Haag) and Lori (Walker) suggested a reduction of the speed limit to 25mph for the summer along Lincoln Pond Rd. where the camps are located. They spoke to Noel Merrihew, Elizabethtown Town Supervisor. He said there isn’t the manpower to patrol. He suggested if LPA kicked in \$1000 to the town, they could pay for the rest. The speed limit was lowered from 55mph to 35mph years ago by going to State legislature. However, we can also put up our own signs encouraging drivers to slow down. The members discussed the issue and we agreed to begin with sandwich signs at both ends of the causeway going up toward Mineville and down toward E-Town. Lori and Lynn will make the signs and Gerry will put them up. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to authorize the board to explore getting a speed sign and spend up to \$1200. Members were encouraged to let residents along Lincoln Pond Rd. know we are doing this and encourage them to join the Association if they don’t already belong.

Road Clean-Up, Gerry

Excellent turnout, even more than last year! We were done in less than an hour. Also, thanks to Egglefield Camp who led a second clean-up as they weren’t here for the first one.

Road Reports

Lower Pond Rd. Wayne Johnson noted that 24 of 30 households have paid into the fund. He reported that the road was in good shape and that they had put in a lot of culverts.

Twin Brooks. Jeff Wright goes around and collects voluntary donations. Tony will take over from Jeff. They have good equipment so the road is in good shape.

Causeway and Dam

We have a permit that is good through 2023 to clean out under the causeway. The water level is high this year, so boats have not had a problem. If the need arises, we can do the hand dredging. Per Wayne's suggestion, Gerry will write a thank-you to Tom Lincoln for listening to us and getting the water level of the dam corrected. The curb fix is working to keep the lake level up.

Milfoil Committee and the Lake Champlain Basin and New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission Grant, Debbie

The LCBP grant was a success. The report is on the website and people should take the time to look through it. It has a great deal of information about the plant life in the lake. Our LCBP contact raved about the report. The report also makes suggestions about what we can do going forward to control the milfoil. Camp owners can put benthic mats out in front of their camps and may clear a 1000 sq. ft. area without a permit. We will post information about the mats and about APA/DEC regulations on our website. The Association will continue to put out literature at the boat launches. People have especially taken the maps giving the locations of public boat washes. We may create a brochure about ways to clear in front of camps. Also, Debbie reported on the presentation at -- and field trip with -- the Bouquet Valley School District; it was very positive. Finally, as part of our continuing efforts to monitor and manage the milfoil problem, volunteers will again do the tracking sponsored by the DEC and the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program (APIPP) so we can start to see if there are any changes in the milfoil location and density from year to year.

Water Testing – Wayne

Wayne will continue to participate in the CSLAP water testing. He goes out every two weeks throughout the summer (sometimes with Gerry) and then submits water samples and his collected data to the CSLAP lab. We then get a report back which is posted each year on the website. We belong to both CSLAP (DEC) and the New York State Federation of Lake Associations, NYSFOLA. Wayne reported that water clarity was good, with no algae blooms.

Broadband Report - Doug Spilling

Verizon is making room on their poles so SLIC (www.slic.com) can come along and put up their lines. Their latest estimate, as of today, is late August or September. They are currently finishing up in Lewis. If members are interested in Internet and other cable services, they can contact SLIC ahead of time. If you have any questions, you can also contact Doug with questions. SLIC is one out of several other options folks wanting internet, phone, and tv services; cellular phone and satellite are two others.

Fish and Wildlife

Loon count was 3 this year.

Heavy population of black bear going up Lincoln Pond Rd.

Moose next to Jeff's camp.

8-pound bass.

Lots of turkeys.

Old Business, New Business, and Announcements

- Jill – fire in a camp on Paynes Way this spring. A generator ignited a shed which was totally engulfed in flames. People from the camps, the road, and others set up a bucket brigade of over 30 people. The fire Department came with their pumper. Paynes Way folks now have an air horn they can sound to get people out quickly. Maybe invite the fire chief to come speak about what we can do.
- If you cut your milfoil in front of your dock, make sure you get it out of the water. If you cut and toss it in the lake, you are spreading it.

- Henry's Honey, t-shirts available at the back table.
- Facebook Page – Send pictures to LynnHaag@gmail.com.

The meeting adjourned at 11:11.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Maxwell, Secretary

6/18/2020

Lincoln Pond Association Treasurer's Report
2019 Fiscal Year
1/1/19 - 12/31/19

Net Cash on Hand for Operations as of 12/31/18 (Bank Balance) \$4,044.05

Receipts 1/1/19 to 12/31/19

Dues received	\$ 655.00
Tee Shirt & Glass Sales (J. Schwarz)	\$ 930.00
Bank Interest	\$ 2.31
Other Receipts: Town of Elizabethtown	\$ 225.00
Lake Champlain Basin Invasive Aquatic Plant Study Grant	
NEIWPC Grant #1	\$ 7,300.00
NEIWPC Grant #2	\$ 1,449.08
Verizon account refund (advanced by G. Zahavi for aquatic research)	\$ 32.92

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$10,594.31

Expenditures 1/1/19 - 12/31/19

2019 N.Y.F.O.L.A. membership	\$ 50.00
2019 CSLAP Fees (N.Y.F.O.L.A.)	\$ 470.00
Gerry Zahavi (annual meeting and picnic cost reimbursements)	\$ 245.00
Lincoln Pond Campground – parking fees for annual picnic	\$ 72.00
Judy Schwarz - Tee shirts & glasses expense	\$ 270.22
Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC	\$7,300.00
Gerry Zahavi (aquatic research supplies/ expenses reimbursements)	\$1,482.00
2020 N.Y.F.O.L.A. membership	\$ 50.00
2020 CSLAP Fees (N.Y.F.O.L.A.)	\$ 470.00

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Net Cash on Hand for Operations as of 12/31/18 \$ 4,229.14

Income Liabilities

Prepaid dues \$45.00

2020 Fiscal Year Information

2020 Estimated Revenue

Dues (through 6/15/20)	\$ 225.00
Anticipated additional dues	\$ 255.00
Judy Schwarz - Tee shirts & glasses sales (to date)	\$ 244.00
Elizabethtown, Town of (partial reimbursement 2/23/20)	\$ 225.00
Lake Champlain Basin Invasive Aquatic Plant Study Grant	
NEIWPC Grant #3	\$ 700.00
NEIWPC Grant #4	<u>\$4,350.92</u>

Total Estimated Revenue \$ 5,999.92

2020 Expenditures / Budget

2021 N.Y.F.O.L.A. membership	\$ 50.00
2021 CSLAP Fees (N.Y.F.O.L.A.)	\$ 470.00
Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC	\$ 4,000.00

Gerry Zahavi (invasives outreach supplies /expenses reimbursements)	\$ 695.92
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Boquet Valley Central School District (invasives outreach)	\$ 274.97
Misc. supplies & postage	\$ 200.00
Annual picnic food and supplies	\$ <u>300.00</u>
Total Actual & Proposed Expenditures	\$ 6,070.89

Historical data:

Funds on Hand 12/31/06	\$583.80
Funds On Hand 12/31/07	\$921.84
Funds On Hand 6/30/08	\$982.80
Funds On Hand 6/30/09	\$771.51
Funds On Hand 6/30/10	\$1,012.97
Funds On Hand 6/30/11	\$1,139.46
Funds On Hand 6/30/12	\$1,796.51
Funds on hand 12/31/12	\$2,580.60
Funds on hand 12/31/13	\$3,357.11
Funds on hand 12/31/14	\$3,453.15
Funds on hand 12/31/15	\$2,981.28
Funds on hand 12/31/16	\$4,004.55
Funds on hand 12/31/17	\$3,399.18
Funds on hand 12/31/18	\$4 044.05
Funds on hand 12/31/19	\$4 229.14
Funds on Hand 6/30/20	\$4,794.09

2007 Dues Paid	\$ 350.00	(25 camps)
2008 Dues Paid	\$ 480.00	(32 camps)
2009 Dues Paid	\$ 525.00	(33 camps)
2010 Dues Paid	\$ 495.00	(29 camps)
2011 Dues Paid	\$ 375.00	(24 camps)
2012 Dues paid	\$ 620.00	(39 camps)
2013 Dues paid	\$ 570.00	(37 camps)
2014 Dues paid	\$ 530.00	(34+/- camps)
2015 Dues paid	\$ 625.00	(40 camps)
2016 Dues paid	\$ 710.00	(37 camps)
2017 Dues paid	\$ 540.00	(35 camps)
2018 Dues paid	\$ 570.00	(38 camps)
2019 Dues paid	\$ 655.00	(37 camps)

2020 Dues paid as of 6/15/20 \$225.00 (15 camps)