

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
LINCOLN POND ASSOCIATION, INC.
ELIZABETHTOWN, NEW YORK 12932

CONSTITUTION

The purpose of this Association shall be to bring together at frequent intervals those persons owning property in the vicinity of Lincoln Pond for the purpose of protecting, preserving, and improving the natural beauty of Lincoln Pond, and to serve as an organized group to deal effectively with problems that may arise.

This being our purpose, we do hereby form ourselves into "The Lincoln Pond Association, Inc.", and we agree to be open-minded and liberal in judgement toward all legitimate, conservational, and improvable problems brought before the Association for discussion or investigation. We further agree that we shall have no affiliation with any political organization.

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be "The Lincoln Pond Association, Inc."

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

All persons who own or are permanent residents of property bordering on or in the immediate vicinity of Lincoln Pond shall be eligible to become members of the Association.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS

The officers of the Association shall be a president, a secretary and a treasurer. Their terms of office shall be for two years and they shall be elected by the members of the Lincoln Pond Association.

ARTICLE IV

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors will consist of 4 members, plus the president, secretary and treasurer. All members shall be elected from the active membership of the Association. The directors shall formulate the policies of the Association.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS

The annual meeting for the election of officers and directors shall be held at the regular annual meeting of the Association on the 3rd Saturday in the month of July.

Special meetings may be called by the Board of Directors at such times as deemed advisable.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENT

Any amendment to this Constitution shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting of the Association. Such amendment must be signed by three active members of the Association. The amendment shall be read by the secretary under the heading of new business. After such notice, the proposed amendment shall become part of the Constitution if at the next regular meeting it is approved by two-thirds majority of the members present and voted.

BY-LAWS

MEMBERSHIP (Section 1)

All persons who own or are permanent residents of property bordering on or in the immediate vicinity of Lincoln Pond shall be eligible to become members of the Association. Such eligible persons who have paid their annual dues may be considered members of the Association.

ANNUAL DUES (Section 2)

The annual dues to members of the Association shall be \$10.00 per family, payable at the regular meeting in July.

FISCAL YEAR (Section 3)

The fiscal year shall end on July 31st. Officers elected at the last election meetings shall assume office immediately.

VOTERS (Section 4)

Only members of the Association are entitled to vote. Each family shall be assessed the regular membership dues and each be allowed two votes. This will be limited to total of two votes for all property held by a husband and wife, partnership or corporation. Any member may be represented by a legally executed proxy - the proxy to be empowered to act only at the specified meeting.

ELECTIONS (Section 5)

Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected bi-annually by ballot at the regular meeting of the Association in July. All terms will be two years. This means that on even numbered years two members will be elected to the Board of Directors and on odd numbered years two members will be elected.

MEETINGS (Section 6)

Meetings of the Association shall be held a designated time on the 3rd Saturday of July.

OFFICERS (Section 7)

The president, secretary, and treasurer, elected by the members, shall be members, ex-officio, of all committees.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER (Section 8)

The secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings of regular and special meetings; of all committees; shall attend to all official correspondence and communications; posting of notices; filing of records. The treasurer shall record dues paid; keep a record of all funds, both income and disbursements; and shall give a financial report at any meeting when so requested.

No remuneration, will be paid to the secretary or the treasurer.

COMMITTEES (Section 9)

Committees shall be appointed by the president unless other provision for their election shall be made on motion approved by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting.

RESIGNATIONS AND EXPULSIONS (Section 10)

If at any time a member wishes to resign from the Association, he shall give notice of his intention in writing to the President, who shall present his resignation to the officers and advisory committee at their next meeting. No cancellation of dues shall be made if a member resigns before the close of the fiscal year.

Any member guilty of conduct inimical to the cause of area well-being or out of harmony with the principals of the organization may be expelled by a two-thirds majority of members voting at any regular meeting of the Association, providing a written copy of the charges of such misconduct shall have been handed to him by a member of the Association at least two weeks previous to the meeting in which the vote on expulsion is to be taken.

EXPENDITURES AND APPROPRIATIONS (Section 11)

All expenditures and appropriations of moneys must be ordered and approved by the members. Payments shall be made by check and signed by the treasurer. There shall be no appropriation of money or disposal of property made without a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Association.

QUORUM (Section 12)

Fifteen members of the Association present at any regular or special meeting shall be considered a quorum.

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY (Section 13)

"Robert's Rules of Order Revised", published by Scott, Foresman Company, shall be the authority on all questions of parliamentary law and proceedings.

ORDER OF BUSINESS (Section 14)

The order of business at all meetings of this Association shall be as follows:

1. Meeting called to order
2. Reading of minutes of previous meeting
3. Communications
4. Reports
5. Unfinished business
6. New business
7. Addresses and entertainment
- 8; Adjournment

AMENDMENTS (Section 15)

Any amendments to these by-laws may be proposed at any regular meeting, to be adopted by a majority vote at the following regular meeting, if, in approval of the Board of Directors.

August 16, 1969

In line with the suggestion of your Board of Directors, we respectfully submit the following proposed Amendment to Article V as pertains to meetings in the Constitution: This change to replace the current entire Article V.

Article V Meetings:

Section 1: There shall be an annual meeting of the Association held during the month of July. At the annual meeting, directors shall be elected. The Board of Directors shall render a report and the membership shall do whatever other business it feels to be appropriate.

Section 2: Special meetings may be called by the Board of Directors at such time as deemed advisable.

Section 3: At any time, Ten (10) members may request a special meeting by presenting a signed request to the Secretary of the Association. The required special meeting shall be called no later than two (2) weeks after the presentation of such request.