

## **CPWL Meeting notes 10/24/12**

32 were in attendance and the meeting was called to order at 7:10pm

### **Minutes from the last meeting**

Minutes were read from last meeting.

**Motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes from the last meeting. Motion passed**

### **Treasurer's Report**

41 paid dues received to date - \$5,490 total collected (Phil/ Cathy/ Jay – would you confirm this with the report that was read as I do not have a copy)

As of Sept 10 the balances are:

- 3724 checking
- 2501.58 in money market (we were charged a \$5 fee that will be researched)
- 11404.91 in cd

We currently have approximately \$17,000 in our CPWL accounts.

Fund raiser realized a profit of about \$2500 (tickets, silent auction and raffles raised \$3,731 and the fundraiser expenses were \$1500) (please confirm as noted above)

Duck race (\$155) (please confirm as noted above)

Ice cream boat brought in \$45 (please confirm as noted above)

\$5.53 interest on mmk

Mailing expense \$236

Secretary of state fees: \$55

\$5100 spent on mowing and is \$900 less than what was originally budgeted

There was some discussion regarding our mailing list issues. A new list with 286 mailings was created and should resolve the issue with the mailing list. Four addresses of the 286 need to be corrected.

Cathy Anger has the disk and will provide it to Jay to allow CPWL donation requests.

It was suggested that bills be sent out prior to the spring meeting and then again to only those who did not send in a contribution to CPWL.

It was noted that the date for the spring meeting should be agreed upon before the close of this fall meeting to ensure all those present are informed.

**Motion made to approve and second treasurers report. Motion passed.**

### **Membership committee**

Ron Depault made attempts to raise awareness of the CPWL around the lake and it was agreed that the enhanced mailing list will help Ron with these efforts moving forward.

### **Water Quality**

URI is backlogged and, as a result, not all testing is back.

Tests in May and July reflected acceptable limits in tests performed.

Ecoli was high during July and Sept in the tributaries around route 44 and Sawmill

Water clarity was average

A chart was provided with this year's findings noting an average of all test results and how little the water has changed since 1990.

Chlorophyll levels were high in 2010

This year we did not have any calls with any algal blooms. It was noted that algal blooms occur state-wide when they are detected.

Nancy will provide the report electronically so it can be uploaded to the website.

**Motion made and seconded to accept the water quality report. Motion passed.**

### **Dam Maintenance Committee Report**

Mowing performed at a cost of \$5,100 (budgeted \$6,000)

Mark came on ½ days to save money vs. spending an entire day.

#1 issue is the spill way as it is eroding underneath

This spillway is composed of a level area that has granite curbing (on West Greenville Road). 230' x 4' x 1'

Curbing sits on top of gravel and it has been about 10 years since it was repaired/ maintained. Since then, frost heaves have moved the curbing.

Options:

- Temporarily fix \$2,500 to move again
- Permanent fix is \$12,500 (concrete to seal it and lock in granite)
  - 5500 concrete
  - 2300 rebar and form work

- 3000 labor and backfill

Concerns were raised about depleting the funds.

Additional discussion noted the upcoming storm and issues with our high water levels.

Jay noted that we should begin to drop the water level. A call to Smithfield to coordinate and ensure they can manage the inflow would be necessary.

**Motion made and seconded to pull two plates tomorrow (October 25). Motion passed.**

It was asked if we could raise awareness of the maintenance issues since participation has been so low in an effort to get additional collections. Suggestions were to use emails more prevalently, repeat, mailings, etc. noting a call for "Help" to acquire additional donations to address spending requirements for the spillway repairs.

**Motion was made and seconded to spend \$12,500 on repairs. Motion passed.**

### **Fireworks**

Ron Depault made efforts to legalize fireworks on the lake. Jeff Booker donated his property to perform the display. A quote of \$5,000 was requested to perform a \$10,000 fireworks display.

July 6<sup>th</sup> is the official date of the Fireworks display.

CPWL was specifically omitted from the Fireworks collection to allow this group to discuss any concerns around liability and perception.

Fundraiser at Sticks raised \$2,415.

Chad donated \$1,500.

Village at Waterman Lake donated \$1,000

Ron provided balance for the fully funded fireworks display to the CPWL officers.

An account will be set up specifically for the Fireworks display and will be separate from CPWL dam maintenance donations.

Fireworks will only be funded from this separate account and will not fall into general accounts.

Membership dues will not be used to fund fireworks.

It was suggested that it would be nice for a separate line item to be provided on the CPWL dues invoice so that members may make an additional donation toward the annual fireworks.

**Motion made and seconded to make the Fireworks an official part of the CPWL. Motion passed.**

Additional discussion and assessments were made as to if a barge can be placed between the two islands to perform the display. A discussion noted further information would be necessary to assess the size and feasibility.

### **Fundraising report**

The fundraiser was on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and sold 50 tickets.

Saved a lot of money on insurance and permits.

Made \$2500 on fundraiser.

All 5 members of the fundraising committee have resigned effective immediately.

**Motion made and seconded to give \$100 gift certificate to the fundraising committee. Motion passed.**

### **Bylaws**

Some discussion around the approach for reviewing bylaws.

Future decisions on the bylaws during CPWL meetings should be organized as a vote only and avoid editing the proposed bylaws during the meeting.

Ron Depault resigned from working on the bylaws but additional review of them may be considered in the upcoming year.

### **Other items**

Glocester CC is upgrading their septic system.

### **Election of officers**

Secretary

- Sara Vial
- **Andrea Robertson – new secretary**

Treasurer

- **Jay Ruotulo**

Vice President

- **Ken Robertson –new vice president**

President

- **Jeff D'Antuno -new president**
- Phil Vial

New president gave his acceptance speech.

**Stay tuned for our Spring meeting: Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> slated for the Gloucester CC – reservation to be made.**