

CPWL Meeting Minutes October 22, 2013

20 were in attendance and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes from the last meeting

Minutes were read

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

Treasurer's Report

- CPWL checking account balance is \$12,725.87
- The dues collected to date is \$5,890.00
- The CPWL summer fundraiser grossed \$8,191.00, the fundraiser expenses were \$3,721.00 yielding a net profit of \$4,410.00
- The Fireworks fund has a balance of \$621.26
- Our mowing was budgeted for \$6000.00 and we spent slightly over this balance with a total of mowing expenses of \$6,022.00
- Copies and postage for our dues collection campaign cost us a total of \$239.39

**Motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report.
Motion passed.**

Water Quality Report

- Final data results are not posted as of yet, they are expected to be posted in the spring of 2014
- Clarity is moderate
- Chlorophyll had no results posted as of yet
- Temperature ranged from 63-86 degrees
- Phosphorus, nitrogen, chlorine, ammonia/nitrogen are at acceptable levels
- PH values are within the normal limits
- Ecoli levels per the RI Department of health limits are 61per100 mills
- Highest levels of ecoli were found at RT 44 tributary resulting at 325, and the Saw mill tributary at 176, fortunately May had low numbers, therefore the average levels to date were found to be acceptable. Keeping in mind however our October results are not available as of yet.

- Discussion took place concerning the ecoli levels and it was noted that it is not unusual for the levels to come in high at certain times of the year, however it is impertinent that we keep an eye on these levels and locations to determine whether or not could be a future problem.
- Linda Green from URI's watershed watch program will be in contact regarding the future payments for the water quality testing as Smithfield will not be paying for it for 2014. Jeff mentioned that he is working on speaking to Smithfield officials concerning the testing costs.
- No reports of seeing Blue Green alge this past season, and it was noted to refrain from feeding water fowl as it is detrimental to a clean water system.

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

President's Report

- Jeff announced that he was pleased with the results of the summer fundraiser, overall it went well.
- Dues campaign is always ongoing we brought in \$11,600.00 last year and we hope to at least meet that number this year.
- Jeff admitted that he did not make too much headway with the lack of Camp Russell contributions, however he noted that the grounds in that development are being nicely maintained and will try to make more effort to contact the current owner and get them on board with our efforts.
- Jeff did attend the Waterman Lake Shores Association meeting recently and although the attendance was low he did receive some support in the form of donations to CPWL from some residents who have never contributed before.
- Jeff also noted that our email list is currently in very good shape and we hope to use it to our benefit as a main source of information and contact.
- The draw down has been scheduled for November 1st, and Jeff will be in contact with Georgiaville Pond as the draw down will effect their efforts in their dam repairs.

- Questions pertained to an effort to recognize Patty Nugent for her contribution and any follow up with Jeff Booker's offer to install signage near the marina. It was noted that Andrea sent a request to an Observer reporter and we are awaiting a response. Jeff noted that he has plans to take Patty out as soon as she can make herself available. As far as the signage was concerned it was only a suggestion from Jeff Booker and it was not enacted upon, however signs promoting the fundraiser were placed along Booker's property on Pineledge road and we believe that it did increase some ticket sales to the fundraiser.

Motion made and seconded to accept the President's Report. Motion passed.

Dam Maintenance Report

- 4 mowings were done this past year, 1st costing \$1750.00 2nd cost \$1820.00 3rd cost \$1552.00 and the 4th cost \$900.00 for a total of \$6022.00
- This was the total cost for the entire dam, Jay noted that in years past we had been paying close to \$6000.00 to do just one section of the dam. Therefore our recent projects are working to help cut costs down by 30%.
- Jay noted that the funds are currently low for the remainder of the year, however he wants to propose the following 1) finish the rip rap on West Greenville Rd side and finish rip rap on another 100-200 feet of the face of the dam on the lake side. This could cost approximately \$5000.00 which would leave a balance of about \$7700.00 in the checking account.
- Jeff mentioned that the last few years the maintenance projects were critical and needed addressing the Gregson foundation's donation made it possible to improve more then we expected last year, however Jeff also mentioned that he believes that we should continue our efforts to work on projects as long as the funds are coming in.

- Jay stated that additional areas that need attention and the costs associated with them are; 1) Smaller scale project finish West Greenville Rd rip rap section to complete that area, this would eliminate mowing as it will be rip rap possibly saving us about \$600 in mowing costs. Estimated costs \$3500-5000. 2) 2 future costlier projects would be the section along Pineledge Rd and West Greenville Rd behind Lambert's house. Could costs between 20-30K to repair or the section of the dam along Booker's field in need of repair. This project too could cost anywhere from 30-40K in funds. Erosion is present as well as a malfunctioning toe drain. Booker's farm association had drawn up a plan to repair, however it is up to Booker or us to fund it. Booker can offer the fill and gravel which could help defray our costs, but the cost of the pipe and stone would be ours. Ideally, if we get a significant donation from Patty Nugent this can be a future project.
- Motion was made to spend \$5000.00 to finish rip rap on West Greenville and anything left from that project can be applied to start the section to the right of the gatehouse.

Motion made and seconded to accept Dam Maintenance Report. Motion Passed.

Fundraising Report

Annual Fundraiser

- Jeff would like to have a separate meeting after the holidays to discuss future fundraisers as he is requesting more participation and help.

Fireworks Fundraiser

- Need to contact Ron Depault to see if he is still interested in running the fundraiser for the fireworks. We are working on contacting Jack Fitzgerald to see if he is still willing to help with the future of this event.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Fundraising Report. Motion passed.

Old Business/New Business

- Our attempt to form a committee to address the By Laws has not been a success. Jeff suggests meeting with the current officers to review the By Laws. We may want to consider updating the current language in our By Laws as it appears that much of the info it contains is inaccurate such as the dates, dues amount, rules about meetings and election of officers.

Motion was made and seconded to approve New Business. Motion passed.

Motion was made and seconded to accept existing officers. Motion passed

Motion to adjourn and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting concluded at 8:30 pm