

## CPWL Meeting Minutes October 22, 2014

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

### **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**

- The CPWL checking account had a balance as of 5/30/14 of \$4769.04
- Credits to the account in the form of dues collected as of 9/30/14 was \$9825.00
- Debit our grass cutting expense thus far of \$1600.00 we have a current balance of \$12,994.04 as of 9/30/14.
- This balance does not reflect the latest grass cutting payment recently paid this month of \$1000.00 and we have 1 more cutting to accomplish by late fall.
- The Money Market account which holds the funds collected for the annual fireworks event had a balance of \$611.72 as of 5/30/14.
- We collected 2 large donations equalling \$4575.00 since May, resulting in total funds for the fireworks display of \$5187.00
- A payment to Pyrotechnics (the fireworks contractor) was made for \$5000.00 resulting in a balance in the Money Market of \$187.00 as of 9/30/14

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

### **Water Quality Report**

- All of the 2014 data is not available, the following data is for May and June 2014
- Water clarity resulted in moderate levels throughout the season
- Chlorophyll results were moderate mid May to late June, however elevated in late June & July

- Water temperature ranged from 64 -77 degrees
- Total % of dissolved Phosphorus, Total nitrogen, nitrate/nitrogen, Ammonia/Nitrogen and chlorides were all within acceptable ranges.
- RI State Standards for Ecoli are 61/100 mils, results in the Rt 44 tributary in July were 181.2 and the Sawmill tributary was 686, which is consistently high at that time of year, however these values usually drop as the water temps drop.
- Overall, our water quality has shown consistency through the years
- Keep in mind that the invasive weed Milfoil is present, however not problematic this season.

**Motion was made to approve the Water Quality Report, motion passed.**

### **President's Report**

- Dues collection ongoing and we expect more checks to arrive as the larger paying members such as the GCC & Village of WL are not accounted for.
- Camp Russell still has not committed funds, hope to continue to reach out to Linda Steere regarding participation.
- The DEM's subcontractor, The Perry Group conducted the dam inspection this past July. The inspector was shown all of the improved and unimproved areas, we are expecting a report in the near future.
- We received an email from Paul Gugliemino the RI DEM's Dam Safety Engineer, who just inquired how we are making out with the violations. Jeff plans to respond and send him photos of the improvements made. Jeff will also follow up on this matter.
- Please report any new residents that you are aware of on the lake so that we can update our mailing list.

**Motion was made and seconded to approve the President's Report, motion passed.**

### **Dam Maintenance Report**

- Mark spoke on behalf of the Dam Committee
- Only 2 cuttings were done this past summer to conserve funds

- The Pineledge Road area will be cut 1 more time before winter
- Mark donated the use of his tractor w/ mower head and brought in 160 yds of gravel to be used over by Ray Steeres property. Mark will need 60 yds of the gravel back.
- The left side of Pineledge Rd is treacherous to work, a request is being made to purchase material to soften the pitch and initiate the work on that area.
- Bamboo is getting under control and gopher holes continue to be filled with clay.
- Rip-rap rock is helping, however very difficult to maintain weeds. Next year we plan to spray the area with a salt spray which is environmentally safe.
- Another section near Ray Steeres is in need of more fill
- Guard rails should be installed at the Gatehouse to prevent accidental falls
- The gatehouse plates need to be sanded & painted, and every other bar in the gates needs to be cut off to prevent leaves & debris obstructions.
- We plan to initiate lowering the water by the middle of November

**Motion was made and seconded to approve the Dam Maintenance Report, motion passed.**

### **By-Laws**

- Phil Vial and Jeff worked on the following proposed changes to reflect how the organization currently operates.
- The following changes are proposed;

Article 4 will reflect the current Dues amount and will be set at the October meeting.

Article 5 will state that CPWL holds a minimum of 2 meetings per year

Article 6 will state that board elections are to be held at the October meeting

Article 6 section 6 removes the requirement to have 2 officers sign checks

Article 7 states that the standing committees were updated to reflect that there was not a nominating committee

Article 9 Section 1 was deleted because we no longer have a nominating committee

Article 10 states that the month of the Annual meeting will be set for the month of October to reflect how we are currently doing business.

- The definition of Quorum was raised as to whether or not the quorum consists of individuals present or a property owner as a whole being 1 voting member. It was determined that each home owner that pays dues is counted as an acting member. Based on the current laws stating that the majority of those present will constitute a quorum, it was determined at the present meeting we did meet the quorum.

**Motion made and seconded to approve the By Laws, motion passed**

### **Election of Officers**

- The Treasurer's seat is currently available
- Phil Vial is nominated for Treasurer
- All other current member remain in seat

### **Old Business/New Business**

- Boat traffic & noise was raised as a concern for some members, however overall no major issues arose over the course of the season.
- The 2015 Fireworks event will still take place as long as the funds are raised and the Money Market account holds these funds separate from the regular checking account.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm**