

Secretary's Report

June 19, 2004

The Lake Todd Association Annual Meeting was called to order by Bob Doherty, President, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting began with the presentation of reports:

Secretary's Report

Minutes from last year's annual meeting were not read since they were included in the May newsletter and reviewed before the meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was voted on and unanimously passed.

Treasurer's Report

Gerry Gold handed out and reviewed the Treasurer's Report, noting that last year our balance was \$19,534.50 and currently the balance is \$16,965.04. He stated that all money from certificates of deposit was transferred to the checking account. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was voted on and unanimously passed.

Dam Report

Dave Payne handed out and reviewed the Dam Report. He stated that there are a number of projects that are state mandated and need to be completed this year. It is not certain whether there is an erosion problem on the west side of the dam; we will have the state look at it when the debris and brush is removed. If there is an erosion problem it will need to be addressed. Dave also discussed the tree removal on the foundation of the Harris' property below the dam. We will hire a contractor to remove these trees as it would be dangerous to do ourselves. Dave stated he is getting quotes on repairing cracks in the face of the dam. New signs warning of the dam will be installed this summer, new gate brackets will be installed this fall, and while Dave replaced the dam boards with pine, they may have to be replaced at some time with hardwood.

Bob Doherty made a motion that the board be given permission to spend money as needed on essential dam repairs. The motion was voted on and unanimously passed.

Water Quality Report

Skip Tonkin handed out and reviewed the Water Quality Report. The findings are from a water sampling done by Skip Tonkin, Norman Lehoullier and Andrea Lamoreaux from the Watershed Management Bureau of DES of July 23, 2003. Chlorophyll has remained relatively stable, as has overall transparency, and both are less than the state mean. Phosphorus is greater than the state median, but remain relatively stable with the exception of the Gillingham Drive inlet, where the phosphorus concentration is more than double other areas sampled. Residents should be aware that septic systems, animal waste, lawn fertilizer, road and construction erosion and certain household products can adversely impact the ecology of the lake. Conductivity has increased slightly and overall turbidity is fairly stable. Skip stated that Andrea Lamoreaux will conduct another water sampling on July 15; Bob Doherty asked that Norman and Skip and anyone else

interested be present and closely monitor what Andrea does so we can replicate it in August. Currently we have no milfoil in the lake, but residents should still be diligent in watching for it.

Wildlife Report

Allene Hamilton reported that the loons don't seem to be nesting, as both loons are often seen swimming instead of just one. The geese problem was discussed. Elinor Robie reminded people never to feed the geese. Allene asked that if anyone is aware of the loons nesting, please let her know.

Flares

Allene Hamilton sold flares again this year, but noted they are smaller and only stay lit for 15 minutes. Because they are smaller they sold for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Old Business

Weed Watchers Program. Gerry Gold stated that the program did not get established, probably due to the fact that we are confident there is no milfoil on Lake Todd. He stated that lakes that have summer host programs are those lakes that have ramps for power boats. It is essential that people continue to be aware of milfoil and check their motors before entering the lake. If anyone thinks they see milfoil in the lake, they should not try to harvest it; the state will take care of it.

Lake Todd Times: Norma Murphy discussed the newsletter, which is now in its fifth year of publication. She noted that the newsletter is a wonderful vehicle for keeping residents on the lake informed and creating a sense of community. There was a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in contributing to the newsletter, either with articles or assistance in copying, collating and mailing. Any suggestions or contributions are welcome, as everyone should feel ownership in our newsletter.

Village District: Bob Doherty and Gerry Gold gave an update on the formation of the Village District. They met with the Selectmen of both Newbury and Bradford and submitted the petition as well as the proposed boundaries done by Bill Weiler. Bob stated that the Selectmen were open and receptive to the proposal. We have 29 legal signatures which comprise about 50% of the residents and is well beyond the 10 signatures required. There are 98 lots within the proposed boundaries, which include lakefront plus related property. There will be a joint meeting of the Selectmen on July 12 in Newbury Town Hall to make the determination of the boundaries. On August 21 there will be a formation meeting run by one of the Selectmen. Only voters who live in the district will vote, but anyone may attend. It may be possible to combine the formation meeting and the first annual meeting, so officers may be elected.

Bob Doherty discussed the fact that the Village District can't collect any money for a year, and the Lake Todd Association wishes to assist the Village District through the first year. After a discussion about what the Village District would be responsible for (repair

and maintenance of the dam and water quality), Carol Tonkin made a motion to allow executive board to transfer funds to the Village District, and that the timing and amount of funds transferred will be at the discretion of the board. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Gerry Gold explained about the quitclaims transferring ownership of the dam to the Village District. Each owner may have to complete an individual quitclaim, or we may be able to have one quitclaim and one signature page. Bill Weiler stated that Stanley Brown did the original deeds and that we should have separate deeds made up. We need to move quickly and have everything organized by the formation meeting. Carol Tonkin suggested we discuss with the real estate people who are landowners on the lake to get their input. Gerry stated that the tax will be \$20 to \$80 per year, depending on the property value. The first tax bill will be approximately one year from now.

New Business

Lake Todd Social. This year's social will take place at John and Elaine Warren's house on August 21st. As in the past, it will be a pot luck, coordinated again by Mary Lehoullier. Carol Tonkin was asked to provide a game again this year. Many thanks were extended to the Weilers who have so generously hosted the social for the past several years.

The Slate of Next Year's Officers and Directors was presented by Allene Hamilton as follows:

President:	Bob Doherty	Directors:	
Vice President:	John Warren	Carol Tonkin	Term ending 20
Secretary:	Jim Bruss	Elaine Warren	Term ending 20
Treasurer:	Gerry Gold	Alex Azodi	Term ending 20
		David Payne	Term ending 20

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Murphy, Secretary