

**2023 Annual Meeting
Of the Parker Pond Association
July 23, 2023**

The meeting was called into order at 6:05 by President Markovchick. Introductions were made around the room. Welcome all.

A brief discussion was brought up about Loon count: 26 adults 2 chicks +4 in Fellows Cove. Loon on nest near Long Island.

Old Business:

Secretary's Report - Request for approval of the Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting – So moved, seconded, and passed.

Chair Reports:

Vice President's Report – Gerry Tinguely

Gerry reported that he went to the Maine Lakes meeting. He introduced the Manie Lake Book and endorsed its purchase by anyone interested in Parker's water quality. He also emphasized the Lake Smart program. He also talked about the culvert replacement on Sandy River Road.

Treasurer's Report – Waine Whittier

Revenues \$19,600- raised 8,700.

Communications and Membership – Bill Rosenberg 300 names on email list.

Membership to date:

101 Family Memberships

170 Individual Members

Lake Usage – Bob Weimont reported that we have four islands that the PPA takes care of. We need some toilet paper on those islands. People have been generally good about keeping the islands clean. Comment cards have been full of gratitude.

Ice fishing regulations have changed to 5 traps all season.

Fellows Cove launch agreement gives 3 days in spring to put Boats in and 3 days in the fall to take boats out.

Take out dates this year: September 10 Oct 1, Oct 15 \$30 charge. And you must be a paid member of PPA. And boat owner must be present.

Invasive Plants and Boat Inspection – Lidie Robbins reported about the rain event earlier in the spring. It was a huge pollution event for the lake. She pointed to the Sandy River road culvert project and the Ithiel Gordon Road/Tower Road culvert project as examples of solutions to run off projects. More projects are necessary and 30 Mile River Assn. will be helping town governments in such projects. 30 Mile has been keeping invasive plants out of the local lakes. In 2021-22 they spent 2,300 hours 55k\$ to those ends. In places where invasive plants have been removed, they are not returning.

She also called for volunteers for boat inspectors.

30 Mile has a building in Mount Vernon to be used as headquarters.

Paddle trek from Minnehonk to Androscoggin is next Saturday.

30 Mile River Representative – Susan Tinguely agreed with Lidie's

summation.

Water Quality and Lake Smart Coordinator – Deb Cayer stressed the Importance of water quality monitoring.

Lidie added that the water quality monitoring will take place on the following morning.

She encouraged anyone seeking detailed information to go to the 30 Mile website.

Water clarity June '22- 8.5 meters June '23 7.5

Lake Smart program will help fight runoff as well as camp road maintenance.

Deb awarded 2 Lake Smart awards – Dave Markovchick and Karen Rogers

Dam Steward – Nona Boyink

The dam is in great shape. The rains did not harm the dam. All paperwork is completed.

Land Steward – Trisha Cheney

PPA holds 2 easements – The Kelley property. The trail from the Ithiel Gordon Road to the lake has been blazed.

The Headlands – There is a new parking area on the Sandy River Road. Bike racks have been put at the trailhead.

Fellows Cove Road is closed during mud seasons.

Blowdowns have been cleaned, but more continue to occur.

Trisha will meet with the Land Trust when they inspect the trail in order to coordinate her efforts with theirs.

If anyone sees anything of concern on either trail, call Trisha.

New Business:

Expand the Board to be more encompassing.

Three new Board Seats are recommended.

Proposed: Communications and Membership be split

Creating a new seat for Communications

Brin Robbins has been nominated for the position.

Proposed: Two new At Large seats to broaden lake

community input and expand interrelated associations interests.

Election of Officers:

Nominating Committee Report – Nona Boyink

Current Officers:

President- David Markovchick

Vice President- Gerry Tinguely

Secretary- Daniel Huettner

Treasurer- Waine Whittier

Communication and Membership- Bill Rosenberg

Water Quality & Lake Smart Coordinator- Deborah Cayer

Invasive Plants- Lidie Robbins

Lake Usage- Bob Weimert

30 Mile River Watershed Rep- Susan Tinguely

Land Stewardship - Trish Cheney

Dam Stewardship – Nona Boyink

Proposed Slate of Officers:

President- Gerry Tinguely
Vice President- Dave Markovchick
Secretary- Daniel Huettner
Treasurer- Waine Whittier
Communications- Brin Robbins
Membership- Bill Rosenberg
Water Quality & Lake Smart Coordinator- Deborah Cayer
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The new slate was put forth by motion, seconded and voted yea as shown above.

Dave opened a discussion about fireworks over the lake. Fireworks pollutes the lake and disturbs wildlife. It was suggested that Fayette be approached about such an ordinance. Another member presented the Maine State Law about when fireworks can be set off. Another member called for a letter from the board concerning the use of fireworks and the pollution they present.

Bill Rosenberg made a motion: That the PPA board encourage other associations on Parker Pond to join it in recommending to the Select Boards in Fayette, Chesterville, and Vienna the adoption of the same fireworks ordinance as that of Mount Vernon.

The motion was seconded and passed by vote.

Gerry presented Dave with a bottle of maple syrup in recognition of his two years of service as President.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:45.