Secretaries Minutes - Peacham Pond Association - July 9, 2017

The annual meeting of the Peacham Pond Association was called to order at 12:45pm, on Sunday, July 9, 2017 at the Hafner/Boswell camp on Onion Point Road.

President Karen Dusini welcomed everyone to a very special Family Day. Our Peacham Pond Association is 70 years old! The meeting/picnic had been delayed one day due to a sudden and violent storm. Many people had helped to move and store the tasty catered food that had been delivered shortly before the storm struck.

Karen recognized and thanked John Weaver and his company Weaver Printing for designing and printing our new PPA directories. Karen also thanked the Boswell and Hafner families for hosting our gathering again this year. Al Blake was recognized for being the PPA Treasurer for the past 21 years - a position he is ready to retire from after this next year. Karen thanked those who donated raffle items and reminded all to purchase tickets. She also reminded the crowd to read selected pages from PPA minutes back through the years. These had been copied and hung along the porch for all to enjoy.

The board members were introduced: Karen Dusini, president; Annette Lorraine, vice-president; Al Blake, treasurer; Martha Winston, secretary and board members, Ryan Chapell, John Guilmette, and John Weaver.

The slate for the new board was introduced. Martha Winston, president; John Weaver, vice-president; Al Blake, treasurer; board members Ryan Chapell, John Guilmette, Patricia Wiedel and Karen Dusini. The secretaries position will be filled by Martha Winston for this year. A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate as presented.

The treasurer's report was given by Al Blake. He reported a checking account balance of \$1,320.44 Please see the attached report for more details. No questions were raised at this time.

The secretaries minutes from the 2016 annual meeting had been published on the association website and a motion was made to accept them as written. The motion was approved and seconded.

Karen asked everyone to take a moment to recognize four Peacham Pond family members who passed away during the year: Bernie Brassard, Pam Pollack, Ellen Young and Lucille Spaulding. Ryan Chapell announced that Rory McDonald had put on a large firework show for the pond the night before (7/8/17). He spent \$1,500 on the display. Contributions would be welcome to help with the cost.

Rick Scholes spoke, giving some details about his job as a Lister for the Town of Peacham. The town-wide reappraisal was needed due to home property sales that varied from the Grand List (the last appraisal process was 9 years ago). Please make appointments for the Listers to come to your camp. They will take new measurements. The Listers themselves do not set taxes. A booklet will be published and mailed in the Spring that shows the new taxes for ALL properties. You will have 2 weeks to ask for a grievance if you disagree with the market value assessed to your property.

Peacham Pond has no loon chicks this year. The official loon count for the state will be next Saturday.

Fishman have noted we have bass in our pond. Do we know they got there? Concerns that they are an aggressive fish. John Guilmette will contact the fishery director and report on Facebook.

Pat Wiedell encouraged everyone to respond to the town survey about planning. Meetings sharing results will be in September.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Martha Winston, Secretary