



SLPID **DRAFT** MINUTES, September 19, 2019, 6:30 pm.

Town of Malta Community Center. Malta, NY

A meeting of the Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District was held on September 19, 2019, 6:30 pm at Malta Town Community Center, Malta NY. A quorum was present.

<u>Present:</u> SLPID Commissioners: Tom Carringi, Cristina Connolly, Kathy Simmonds, Walter Supley. Treasurer: Mike VanPatten, Consultant: Dean Long(late), Weed Harvesting Supervisor: Bob Hahn. Excused: Karl Hardcastle

Public Comment: Jim DeMasi, representing Saratoga Lake Association (SLA) commended the board for updating the website, however he is no longer able to get access. Walter Supley suggested rebooting his browser. Mr. DeMasi noted SLA has many activities available and encouraged all SLPID Commissioners to become a member. Kathy Simmonds and Walter Supley stated they are members of SLA.

The meeting acted on the following items:

<u>Call to Order:</u> The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Chair, Cristina Connolly. The Agenda was presented for review.

Secretary's Report: (Debbie Curto)

The August minutes were presented for review. Cristina Connolly MADE A MOTION to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by Kathy Simmonds. MOTION CARRIED. Amended minutes from June were presented, MOTION WAS MADE by Cristina Connolly to approve the minutes, 2nd by Kathy Simmonds. MOTION CARRIED. Amended minutes from July were presented, Cristina Connolly MADE A MOTION to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by Kathy Simmonds. MOTION CARRIED. Going forward Commissioners would like to review minutes within a couple weeks. Commissioners would also like to have a copy of the minutes stamped APPROVED. (and signed by Chair and Secretary)

Sympathy card was sent out to Nancy Fodera (longtime secretary for SLPID) on the loss of her husband. Docufree will send contract to be signed for file scanning. Secretary will coordinate with Kathy for pickup of boxes. Kathy Simmonds MADE A MOTION to approve Secretary's Report, 2nd by Walter Supley, MOTION CARRIED.

The following documents/exhibits used at the meeting:

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Draft Minutes

Treasurer's Report: (Mike VanPatten)

Register report and statement of revenue and expenditures were distributed. Walter Supley MADE A MOTION to pay bills \$27950.43, 2nd by Tom Carringi. MOTION CARRIED.

Kathy Simmonds MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT the treasurer's report 2nd by Walter Supley, MOTION CARRIED. The following documents/exhibits used at the meeting:

- 1. Financial Statements: Balance Sheet, Income Statement.
- 2. Monthly Bank Reconciliations Approved by Commissioners, returned to Treasurer.
- 3. Weekly Payroll Reports Approved by Commissioners, returned to Treasurer.
- 4. Monthly Vendor and Invoices Approved by Commissioners, returned to Treasurer.

Lake Level Report: (Tom Carringi)

202.81 Level continues to go down. Tom stated he has received 2 boxes (weather station)

CSLAP: (Cristina Connolly for Karl Hardcastle)

The last CSLAP test for the season was conducted this week.

Weed Harvesting: (Bob Hahn)

Purchased parts on Tuesday for a breakdown. Getting close to ending the season. In two weeks, they will be down to 2 employess (Bob and Lonnie).

Walter Supley asked if the Bob could let the lake owners know when the harvestors would be in their area. Bob stated that is difficult due to weather conditions, breakdowns, etc. They have tried to follow a schedule in the past and owners would call and complain when they were not in their area. Walter suggested using a start date and end for weed harvesting. A property owner that regularly sends emails, stated the weed harvesters were running behind at the end of the season. Email from same property owner last year showed the harvesters are running one week ahead, property owner was satisfied when explained that the harvesters cannot have a set schedule as there are too many variables with the job.

<u>Communications</u>: (Walter Supley)

Posts have been boosted on facebook. Spend .09 per. Post reached 6,413, 690 people clicked on post, 8 shared. 53% were men, 47% women. Walter Supley has committed \$200 of his own funds to SLPID facebook. Walter also commented we have received positive comments on the new website.

<u>Safety</u>: (Bob Hahn) No report – no injuries.

Link to sexual harassment has been emailed to everyone and must be completed annually.

Lake Stewardship: (Cristina Connolly)

Last day was September 8. Shed has been cleaned out and all contents moved to the garage. A purse was found at the launch. Cristina is finding the owner. Cristina received a call from the NYS Parks Manager and wants to integrate standards with the Lake George Commissioner (relating to boats in/out). They will be setting up a meeting. Due to the number of Lake Stewards returning to school, Cristina covered the shift last weekend. At this time of year, the boat launch is free. Boat Wash station is done for the season, State Parks will close and drain it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Employee Manual: Kathy Simmonds is working on.

Kathy Simmonds MADE A MOTION to spend \$3000 for Docufree to scan all remaining SLPID records, 2nd by Walter Supley, MOTION CARRIED. Annually documents will be scanned and put on zip drive.

NEW BUSINESS:

May –22 boats were counted throughout the summer launching from the state boat launchand south shore with head systems Tom Carringi stated they did 5 pump outs at his Marina (Point Breeze)

At 7:12 pm A MOTION WAS MADE to suspend the meeting for Executive Session for the purpose of Administrative, 2nd by Kathy Simmonds, MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting was called back to order by Cristina Connolly.

RESOLUTION #17-2019

Motion by: Kathy Simmonds

2nd by: Walter Supley

BE IT RESOLVED to retain and accept the submitted engagement letter from Anderson Law Firm designated as attorney for SLPID.

Discussion: none

Aquatic Weed Control (Dean Long)

-Clearcast treatment at mouth of kaydeross for water chestnuts was not as effective this year.

Surveying the lake, there were about 8 small spots of other water chestnuts on south end. It may be favorable to treat all spots next year with herbicide and bring in hydrorake. We will know more regarding treatment direction when Larry Eichler submits his survey details.

- -Kara (Solitude) is in contact with Brian Primeau (DEC) re: signs at Browns beach from last treatment.
- -Walter inquired about treating the entire lake/shoreline for all weeds, Dean Long replied, it is a productive lake and going to have weeds.
- -Dean Long stated, there have been no updates on the buoys. Tom Carringi will get a price from Taylormade, since they have a life time warranty.

OLD BUSINESS:

Walter Supley proposed SLPID pursue geo-targeting pricing for email notification on safety rules/no wake zone, all are in support.

Cristina Connolly has received calls about fill-ins along the lake shore and trees being dropped into the lake. This is regulated by DEC. Cristina regularly gets calls regarding shoreline. In the past, SLPID spoke of doing a lake shore survey with a camera to monitor changes. Dean will send a map to Cristina from C. T. Male

Cristina Connolly MADE A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm, 2nd by Walter Supley, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Curto SLPID Recording Secretary

> Updated 10/3 Updated 10/8 Updated 10/16