

Draft Minutes of ELPOI Annual Meeting July 12, 2003

The meeting, at Chilson Community Center, began at 10:11 AM with 35 people present. Vice President Mary Lloyd Burroughs presided.

AGENDA After welcoming remarks, the Agenda was reviewed and approved by the Meeting.

ANNUAL REPORT In the absence of the President, the Annual Report (attached) was read by Lloyd and Caroline Baldwin. The meeting offered Scott Davis special commendation for his Eagle Scout project of building a nesting site for loons. Members mentioned that mallard ducks took residence this spring in the site. Wendy Davis advised that it would probably be a few years before loons make use of it.

MINUTES Caroline Baldwin, Secretary, gave a summary reading of the Minutes of the 2002 Annual Meeting. The Meeting approved the Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT Jere Paddock gave the Treasurer's Report (attached.) He pointed out that dues are the major source of income. Other income came from the IP grant awarded for purchase of a GPS for monitoring milfoil presence in the lake. Major expenses are beaver removal, website maintenance, and mailings.

OLD BUSINESS

By-laws The proposed amendments, approved previously by the 2002 Annual Meeting, were reviewed and approved. The amendments became effective after said approval by these two Annual Meetings. As summarized, the amendments are:

- Add email as a method of notifying members of meetings;
- Eliminate position of Chairman of the Board of Directors;
- Officers must be members and will be voting members of the Board;
- Annual meeting will be held in July or August.

Meeting approved board of Directors Recommendation for the reduction in number of regular Board members from 6 to 5. The smaller number, together with 4 Officers, makes the Board total 9, an odd number preferred for voting. (Article III, item 1.)

Nominations Officers nominated: Rin Fraize, President; Sue Barwig, Vice President; Caroline Baldwin, Secretary; Jere Paddock, Treasurer.

Of regular Board members, terms of Pat Hyde and Todd Condon end with this meeting and Sue Barwig's position is vacant as she is being nominated for Vice President. Since Meeting reduced number of regular Board members to 5, only two nominations are needed. Todd agreed to stand for another term and Ann Patterson agreed to be nominated.

Discussion ensued about eligibility of Ann Patterson and Floyd Barwig to participate as an Officer or Board member since they are not deed recorded property owners, but other family members are the registered owners. The question: May an associate member be an Officer or a Board member? The issue seemed to remain problematic to members and in need of further examination. Caroline Baldwin explained to the Meeting that many had been asked but few agreed to serve. However, Ann Patterson,

an Associate Member, agreed to serve on the Board. When Andy Belkevich, an Eagle Lake property owner, spoke up and volunteered to serve on the Board, Ann Patterson withdrew her name from the nominations. The Meeting approved nominated Officers and amended nominations for Board members: Todd Condon and Andy Belkevich.

Thanks Bill Knauss led the Meeting in thanking Lloyd Burroughs for her years of service as Vice President, Board member, and committee chair.

Committee Reports

1) Membership formerly chaired by Lloyd Burroughs, will now be John and Cheryl Pynn. Cheryl reported that 53% of the 86 families owning property have paid dues. Goal is 70%.

2) Water Quality Paul Burroughs described the CSLAP testing program. He explained that the dam has replaceable boards for controlling the lake water level, with goal of plus or minus 2 inches around the 0 mark on the gauge at the bridge. (ELPOI agreement with the DEC is for plus or minus 4 inches and the current reading is plus _ inch.) The trapper and lake residents have pulled apart many beaver dams again this year. When Carol and Rin Fraize pulled apart a beaver dam in mid June, there was 10" difference between the water level above the dam and the level below the dam. Trapper removed 3 beavers: Fall, December, June. Paul's summation: "The beaver control the water level for the lake!"

3) Weed & Pollution Control Lloyd Burroughs gave Cole Hickland's report. Water samples were taken from 4 locations in the lake: west end, Ti Bay, and center south and center north. Total coliform results were 3, 1, 1, and 2, respectively. Test for fecal coliform showed 1 colony in Ti Bay sample but other locations reported less than 1. The SECCHI reported Eagle Lake is "a very clear lake."

4) Fish Stocking Andy reported brown trout stocking as follows: 700 @ 7-10" by NYS and 1000 @ 12-14" from Crown Point hatchery. Andy reported his friend has had very good luck catching fish: trout, bass, bait minnows.

5) Adopt-A-Highway Tonya Condon reported that NYS does not have plans for any work on route 74. NYS must mow the highway verge. An owner's sign requesting mowers skip a certain area has been successful. NYS does NOT spray the roadside. Tonya asked for volunteers to sign-up to pick up litter along the portion of route 74 which passes the lake.

OLD BUSINESS

Rin Fraize has any sweatshirts that remain unsold.

Wendy Davis offered thanks to Lloyd for her assistance to Scott Davis with his Eagle Scout project.

NEW BUSINESS

Weed and pollution committee needs volunteer for chairman, to replace Cole Hickland. Said volunteer should speak to a Board member.

Annual donations were discussed and increases approved as follows:

Chilson Fire Department \$200 – formerly \$100
Ti Emergency Squad \$100 – formerly \$100
Interlakes Health Center \$200 – formerly \$50
Crown Pt. Fire and Emergency \$50 – new donation

FOLA membership will be continued, at cost of \$35 per year.

Thanks were extended to Cheryl and John Pynn for organizing the picnic and donating the food for the picnic.

IP Grant, facilitated by Todd and Tonya Condon, will permit purchase of a GPS for mapping milfoil in the lake. Rolf Tiedemann, Scott Davis, and Larry Eichler from the Fresh Water Institute will work on this project.

Website was discussed and members voiced concern over inaccuracies and incompleteness in information on the website. Carlos Alden maintains the website which costs \$20 per month. ELPOI pays him _ of this amount. Most data for the site has been furnished by Rolf Tiedemann. Rolf recently scanned the historical narratives and photographs in the ELPOI history book, creating a CD for preservation and facilitating uploading this material to the ELPOI website. The Meeting passed a motion to require prior approval by the Board OR by the Officers before any information is added to the website. Hence, any information added to the website should be sent to the Board for approval.

2004 Annual Meeting date was discussed. Any suggestions for a date should be submitted to the Board of Directors.

Adjournment was at 11:25 AM.

Caroline Baldwin, Secretary