

MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THE NEW YORK STATE FEDERATION OF LAKE ASSOCIATIONS, INC.
AND
THE NEW YORK STATE FEDERATION OF LAKES, Inc
Saturday May 2nd, 2009
WHITE EAGLE CONFERENCE CENTER
HAMILTON, NEW YORK

President John Slater called the meeting to order at 12:50 PM.

New York State Federation of Lakes, Inc Annual Meeting – James Hood – described his role as advocate, lobbyist and legislative representative for our Lake Associations membership. Jim asked for general interest issues to be forwarded to his attention for consideration. Invasive Species (IS) lobby day participation in Albany covering budget issues with EPA and the state. State funding is unclear at this time, budget items totaling \$5M were reduced to \$1.5M for 2009-2010 but have been tentatively restored due to pressure from many concerned groups. Jim is monitoring proposed Phosphorus control legislation but this is held up over major concerns from the Farm Bureau and Cornell. Westchester County has passed Phosphorus controls legislation separately. Motion and 2nd from the floor to close the annual meeting of NYSFOL, Inc – passed.

Approval of 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes: Last year's notes were reviewed for approval. On a motion by Rick Menture and Robert Thill 2nd, these were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report, Don Keppel: Don Keppel reviewed the annual budget report. Bob Rosati moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Jan Shields 2nd. The report was approved as presented.

Office Report, Nancy Mueller: Nancy Mueller thanked the attendees for early registrations and the attendance breaking record, we have many 1st time attendees. Nancy went on to thank the organizers, speakers and staff for help making this conference a success. The new edition of "Diet for a Small Lake" is now available in soft and hardcover, please buy a copy!

Board Nominations: Dean Long, Rebecca Schneider, Bill Harman, Bob Rosati, Theresa Mayhew, and James Hood are nominated by the Board for an additional 3 year term on the Board of Directors. Nominations were opened from the floor with no additional nominees. A motion to accept this slate for the board and close the nominations was made from the floor followed by unanimous approval for election. Walter Dutcher (as secretary) was asked to cast one vote in favor of this slate at the continuation of the board meeting on 5/2/09

Dam Safety – Bob Rosati reports that legislation is close to release. A good track record for Dam Safety will be recognized but dam owners will need an emergency plan, operation plan, engineering assessment and regular inspections. Bob was recognized by the group for his efforts to educate and communicate on this topic.

Lakescaping Awards: Rebecca Schneider informed everyone of the October 1st deadline for a plan to be submitted for this year's competition. This contest reinforces education and awareness for shoreline management.

Regional Meetings: Don Cook promoted the concept of hosting a regional meeting and announced the western regional conference for October 24th 2008 at Cuba Lake, water quality issues will be the main topics.

Other Business Support the Silent auction! NALMS fall meeting will be in Hartford CT, a bus for transportation may be available if there is enough interest – contact Matt Albright. Next year's conference will be held at White Eagle on this same weekend (1st weekend in May). NYSFOLA appreciates the support and contributions of our vendors again this year.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Theresa Mayhew and Rena Doing 2nd, passed

Walter Dutcher, Secretary, NYSFOLA