MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OTSEGO LAKE ASSOCIATION
SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012 at 9:00 AM
COOPERSTOWN VILLAGE HALL MEETING ROOM

Present: Wayne Bunn, Paul Lord, David Sanford, Carolyn Mook, Carl Good, Joe Zarzynski, and Tim Pokorny
Absent: Scottie Baker, Mickie Richtsmeier, Martin Tillapaugh, Mary Crouthamel

MMSP = Motion Made, Seconded, and Passed

OPENING OF MEETING

1. Treasurer’s Report (David) – About $15,000 on hand.

2. Membership Report (David) – About 150 members currently.

DIRECTOR RESIGNATION

3. Suzanne Kingsley notified President Bunn via e-mail recently that she needed to resign as Director from the Town of Springfield in order to deal with some personal issues. However, Suzanne will remain a member of OLA and still be active with the buffer strip committee. OLA thanks Suzanne for her years of service on the Board.

4. Suzanne suggested that Patty Grady might be a good candidate to take her place. Carl Good will contact Patty to discuss the position.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. No Wake Zone Buoys (Paul) – All buoys have been deployed by the volunteer dive team.

6. Cooperstown Boat Inspections (Carl) – Inspections will start on or about May 24th.

7. Merchandise (Scottie) – Scottie reported via e-mail that we have a good supply of all items.

8. Earth Festival (Wayne) – The Earth Festival was held on April 14th with Scottie, Mickie, Paul, Joe, Tim, Burr, Carrie, Carolyn, and Wayne attending.

9. Otsego Lakes Appreciation Day (Wayne & Scottie) – No announcement as of the Board meeting. (Note: It was announced in early June that the event will be held on July 14th at Lakefront Park).

10. Website (Tim) – Tim has a new software program and is working on updating the website.

11. Newsletter (Zarr) – Zarr is working on the newsletter which should be ready in the near future.

12. Otsego County Water Quality Coordinating Committee (Carl) – Carl sends out the minutes of these meetings to all OLA Board members.

13. OCCA Coordination (Wayne) – Nothing new to report at this time.
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14. Lakefront Park Buffer Strip (Paul, Mickie, & Carl) – The annual work day is scheduled for June 1st with assistance from the Lake and Valley Garden Club plus the students at BOCES. MMSP to spend $50.00 for a NYSDEC permit for rip-rap. About 100 feet of 2” x 4”s are needed for repairs; Carl will coordinate getting this material.

15. Springfield Landing Buffer Strip (Mickie) – A work day is scheduled for May 23rd with assistance from the Lake and Valley Garden Club plus employees of the Town of Springfield Highway Dept.

16. Fenimore Art Museum Buffer Strip – Nothing new to report at this time; still in discussion stage.

OLD BUSINESS

17. Status of 501 (C) 3 Corporation (Martin & Carl) – Paul found a packet of past information and gave it to Carl who will coordinate the re-submittal to IRS with Martin.

18. Circular Stickers and Membership Letter (Mickie) – Mickie reported via e-mail that the stickers are ready and she will pick them up shortly and then coordinate the mailing to all OLA members.

19. Mud Plume Photography (Paul) – Paul is working with other pilots on this project.

20. NYSFOLA Annual Conference (Wayne) – Wayne, Paul, and Tim attended; great conference as usual.

21. Springfield 4th of July Parade (Wayne) – It was decided that at least 6 OLA Board and/or other members must commit to march in the parade before Wayne will send in the registration form by the June 25th deadline. Wayne will send out an e-mail to all OLA Board members. MMSP to spend up to $75.00 for candy to distribute during the parade if at least 6 members commit to march.

NEW BUSINESS

22. Nominations for Annual Election (July Membership Meeting)

Positions Up For Election:
- President – Currently Wayne Bunn
- Director - Town of Otsego (Currently Paul Lord)
- Director - Town of Springfield (Currently Mickie Richtsmeier)
- Director – Town of Middlefield (Currently Carolyn Mook)
- Director – Village of Cooperstown (Currently Carl Good)

All of the above members agreed to run for re-election in July.

23. Main Topic(s) For July 28th Annual Meeting (Wayne) – Paul suggested the we contact Dr. Robert Johnson of Cornell University to request that he present a program on “Hydrilla in Cayuga Lake – The New Threat To Otsego Lake”. Hydrilla is a terrible non-native invasive plant that grows quickly and forms a dense mat in the water. Dr. Johnson is a recognized expert on Hydrilla. MMSP to provide Dr. Johnson with a $200.00 honorarium to cover his expenses for attending. Tours of the new Biological Field Station Main Building will also be conducted by Paul and Tim. (Note: The Biological Field Station’s Main Building has been reserved for this meeting.)
24. **Problems, Issues, Concerns, Suggestions, Etc.** – There were none presented.

25. **Motion for Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at about 10:15 AM.

Minutes Prepared by Wayne Bunn for Mickie Richtsmeier