

**Lake Kanasatka Watershed Association Annual Meeting Notes**  
**Loon Center, Moultonborough, NH**  
July 9, 2016

**Welcome - Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 by Acting President Kirk Meloney; approximately 45 in attendance.

**Board and Committee Members introduced**

Kirk introduced the current Board and Committee members:

- Acting President: Kirk Meloney
- Vice President: Kirk Meloney
- Secretary: Joan Izen
- Treasurer: Rob Baker
- Media: John Scudder
- Immediate Past President: Jane Fairchild

He noted two recent resignations: Member at Large, Sarah Prouty on 5/1/16 and President, Mike Joyce on 6/18/16. Both were accepted at the June 18, 2016 Board meeting.

Water Quality:

- Carol & Rick Carlson
- Kevin & Sandra Kelly
- Alex & Andy Hutchinson

Hospitality: Kevin & Sandra Kelly

Merchandise & Sales: Phyllis Komlos

Boat Parade: Jane Fairchild

LPC Loon Liasons: Trish Townsend and Joan Izen

**Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Joan Izen read the notes from the 8/8/15 "LKWA August Picnic Meeting". Jane Fairchild made a motion to approve the notes as read; Ted Hilton seconded the motion; and all approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Rob Baker read his Treasurers Report. He noted that this year membership peaked at 107, up from our previous 98 members last year. Income from dues, merchandise and interest totaled \$3,072.32. Expenses included administration (web hosting, room rental for annual meeting, refreshments, post office box and non-profit renewal), donations, newsletter, postage, water testing and merchandise costs all totaling \$3,419.58. The checking account balance is \$2,132.14. Petty cash on hand totals \$100.00. Rob noted that LKWA also has a savings account ("Keepers of the Lake") that currently has a balance of \$13,158.20. The grand total of LKWA checking, petty cash and savings as of 6/30/16 is \$15,390.34. Copies of the report were shared with those interested.

Rob was asked the purpose of the savings account. He and Kirk clarified that those funds were generated by members during the litigation that occurred several years ago; when it was resolved these funds remained. The funds are not earmarked and may be used in the future for any efforts that require significant investment.

Jane Fairchild motioned to accept the Treasurers Report as read; Jane Nash seconded and all approved.

Rob made a motion that LKWA make donations to the three organizations as we have in years past: Loon Preservation, Lake Region Conservation Trust and NH Lakes Association (\$200.00 each organization). Sandra Kelly seconded the motion and all were in favor.

### **Loon Update**

Joan Izen read a brief report from Trish Townsend, LKWA Loon Monitor:

This year the loons on Kanasatka decided to show us that no matter how much we think we know about their patterns, they will always keep us guessing. In past years they are usually laying their eggs by the end of May. This year, after a couple of visits to the nesting platform in early May, they ignored it until later June. In between that time the turtles, and possibly some of the other Lake animals, used the platform as a party place. Mussel shells every where! Finally, the loons decided it was time to take back their space. The first egg was laid on June 25th, and the second on June 27th. That means a hatching date around July 23rd if all goes well. Fingers crossed!

### **Water Quality Report**

Kevin Kelly shared information from the 2015 Water Quality report commissioned by LKWA as well as his personal observations as a water quality monitor over the past 32 years. Kevin expressed his concern that the lake's previous rating of oligotrophic (pristine, very clear water) with traces of mesotrophic (clear water with plant growth) has changed to mesotrophic with traces of oligotrophic. Bob Craycraft, UNH Center for Freshwater Biology assured him (via email) that the water quality has not slipped but rather has been on the cusp of being mesotrophic since we began sampling. The criteria recently changed for the phosphorus threshold that discerns the oligotrophic from mesotrophic lakes and what was formerly considered characteristic of an oligotrophic lake is now considered more characteristic of a mesotrophic lake.

Kevin asked that all LKWA members assist with efforts to help return the lake to oligotrophic status (if possible). He asked that homeowners be particularly aware of runoff from their property into the lake. Also, be aware of homeowners and landscapers blowing debris into the lake.

This past June, LKWA sponsored Kevin and Sandra Kelly to attend the 2016 Lakes Association Congress in Meredith. He shared a helpful booklet, [NH Homeowner's Guide to Stormwater Management: Do-It Yourself Stormwater Solutions for Your Home March 2016](#) which he will make available via the Moultonborough Library and a sign advising against the use of lead sinkers which he will post at the boat launch.

### **Nominating Committee Report**

Phyllis Komlos reported that she was unable to generate any volunteers for the open At Large Member. In the absence of anyone else, Phyllis offered to fill the position. Jane Nash volunteered from the floor. All present voted in favor of Jane Nash for the 2016-2017 Member at Large.

John Scudder offered to continue in his role of Media Specialist. All present voted in favor.

The Nominating Committee will work on filling the vacant President position.

### **Next meeting: Annual Picnic**

Kirk announced that our next meeting, the LKWA Annual Picnic will be held on August 13<sup>th</sup> at Kevin and Sandy Kelly's residence, 68 Glidden Road. A brief business meeting will start at 11:30 to be followed by a cookout/picnic. Members are encouraged to come and share luncheon dishes, salad or desert.

**Other Business**

Kirk acknowledged that this meeting marked Jane Fairchild's last day on the Board. He thanked Jane for her contributions to the Association and presented her with an engraved gift.

Eric Carlson, Camp Quinnebarge Director, introduced himself and invited everyone to attend the camp's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary party on July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12:00-4:00.

Pat Martin made a motion to adjourn the business portion of this meeting; Jane Fairchild seconded the motion and all agreed.

**Program: Lakes Region Conservation Trust**

Don Berry, LRCT President presented a fascinating slide show about the work of the Lakes Region Conservation Trust.

At 10:20 Kirk thanked everyone for attending today's meeting, again thanked Jane Fairchild for her years on the Board, encouraged all to attend the August picnic and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Izen, Secretary