

## **Sekon Annual Meeting July 4, 2010**

Bob Lievense gave a short talk about the milfoil in Upper Saranac Lake, and things the USLF does. Sekon is at a 50% donation level towards milfoil removal, with 25% donating less than \$50. A target level should be between \$200-\$300 for a small camp per year with a \$1000 donation per year from the larger camps. 60% of the lake donates to the milfoil fund, and last year the USLF broke even on milfoil removal, along with this year due to sales of the Upper Saranac Lake Cookbook.

The Association meeting was called to order by President Steve Cross

Don Oslander made note that they contributed to the work weekend and their name was omitted.

Marsha Stanley made note that between July 31- August 1 one of the Seligman's relatives will be visiting Sekon. Marsha hopes that members would be kind enough to open their camps to her so that it might bring back some long forgotten memories.

Treasurer, Eileen Mansfield stated that there was a \$23,971.64 bank balance with 85% of the dues collected.

Al Crispo talked about road improvements that were done this spring. Crusher run was spread by the Mansfield's, and crusher run and a new culvert pipe was placed by Stu Lyon's camp. Hopefully a little road work can be done each year.

### **Old Business**

Many thanks to Chris Mosca and Vic Demouth for their work on the new horseshoe pits. Thanks to Chris for the new benches at the fire pit, and to the members who worked on the beach and helped make the Memorial garden smaller. Thanks to all who helped put in the docks this spring.

Al Miller spoke about the docks and hopes to present a plan to the DEC for an OK, and then back to the membership for their approval.

Barking Dogs, The animal control officer's phone number will be posted to our web site. Harriestown does have a nuisance barking ordinance. Lena Bombard is the animal dog control officer. She can be reached at 891-0016.

### **New Business**

Drainage Problems?

A French drain will be installed to see if this is a solution to our problem. We talked about hiring North Woods Engineering to design a new septic system that could be winterized, and eliminate the old one. Cost? Northwoods, \$9500; new field, \$30-\$50,000; French drain, \$4,500. We plan on doing the drain first to see if it corrects the groundwater problem.

Bill Mansfield commented that the existing leach field is overgrown and needs weeding. We need volunteers, or hire some one to do it. As it becomes overgrown it becomes less effective, so spend a little time and pull some weeds please. The \$30-50K you save will be your own.

Linda Marshall made a motion to install the French drain, with Marsha Stanley seconding.

Warren Longacker commented about the ground being wet in front of their camp. He wants to put dye in the pipes to see if they're leaking. A motion was made to do the dye test first, and then the French drain. Motion carried.

Warren Longacker will find out about the dye.

A motion was made by Bill Mansfield, and seconded by Stu Lyon to install a dry hydrant at the same time as the French drain, on the condition that it must be within 5% of the cost of the French drain. Motion passed by a vote of the membership.

Sekon Donation policy. Last fall by a vote of 17-8 we voted to make a donation the the milfoil fund for matching donations. Unfortunately we missed the date. A motion was made that the Sekon board has the ability to donate up to \$1,000 on anything the USLF, or USLA supports, as long as Sekon has the funds to do so. The motion was made by Les Menkes, and seconded by Al Crispo. Motion passed.

This does not remove the responsibility of Sekon residents to make their donation.

Les Menkes stated that we should create an educational program for renters about milfoil in hopes of getting donations from them. Les volunteered Carleen Menkes to create a renters educational program.

Community bulletin board. Ed Traynor to consult with Al Crispo about construction and location.

Steak Roast.

Carleen Menkes, and Lynn Monks are co- coordinators. More volunteers are needed.

Members concerns.

Stu Lyon thanked everyone at Sekon for remembering his son Seth's passing.

Nomination of Officers by Jim Marshall

President Eileen Mansfield  
Vice President Al Crispo  
Secretary Marsha Stanley  
Treasurer Ed Traynor

Directors

Jim Hudspath to fill unexpired term of Chris Mosca 2012

Fred Schwarz 2013

Nominations closed by Stu Lyon, one vote cast by the Secretary.

Motion to adjourn

Stu Lyon, seconded by Al Crispo

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