



## Watchic Lake Association Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes Summary August 25, 2022. 15 Watchic Road 9

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Paul McNulty. A quorum was established with 10 directors present; Stacey Kane and Owen Smith were absent.

### **Minutes of the July 20, 2022, meeting were approved by consent, as presented.**

The July financial reports were reviewed with no amendments. Agnes noted that, based on a Strategic Account cash flow analysis by Paul, she would move portions of these funds into higher yield funds.

**2022 Events:** A "Meet your Neighbors" night was held at Outpost Pub on August 24. About 35 people attended, and the feedback was positive. For future events, the board agreed to put together a slide show of WLA activities, education, and upcoming events that would be shown in the room. Rick reported that the annual boat tie-up would be held on August 27 at 3:00.

**Long Range Planning, DEP Section 319 Grant:** Paul reported that work on Watchic Road 3 is complete. Residential projects for Martino and Martuza are finished, although at Martuza's some additional plantings are still needed. Town of Standish work on the Dolloff Rd. will start on September 14 and Watchic Road 15 work will start after Labor Day. Installing plantings on Hi Vu Drive access in September will complete that project. Other residential projects have not yet been started by the property owners. There has been no further communication from Kiwanis Club regarding the revised cost share agreement for their runoff remediation project.

As with many recent construction projects, there have been some cost increases mostly due to inflation. The WLA cost could be as high as \$20,000 instead of the \$17,000 originally budgeted. WLA volunteers have already logged 494 hours managing these projects. Agnes noted that DEP has been especially appreciative of the extent and quality of work done by Paul in administering the whole grant project.

**Education:** Nancy reviewed the vegetation workshop/garden tour of LakeSmart and DEP grant held on August 13. Everyone who attended enjoyed it and discovered some new solutions to runoff issues. Nancy will explore ways to do a water based tour next year.

**Membership:** Paul reported members are at 140, and member properties are at 99, both of which is less than last year on December 31, but higher than our past few years average. We expect additional membership in the coming months.

**Environmental:** Steve reported another plant inventory day with no invasive species found. In an update on the loons, he reported 12 loons seen during the loon count. We had three nests this year, one on Big Island that produced two chicks, one on Middle Island that produced one chick that has since died, and one on Treasure Island that had two abandoned eggs.

**Water Quality:** Changes at the lab where our findings are analyzed have caused delays in getting recent test results. Cathy noted some unusual phosphorous readings in June and is waiting for subsequent results for follow up.

**LakeSmart:** The LakeSmart team will be doing an evaluation at the Martino property on August 30.

**Dam:** Chris mentioned concerns expressed to him about the water level. Paul suggested that Chris be on the Dam Committee and work to find a more objective way to measure the water level.

**Annual Inspections:** Don Drew will be doing annual inspections on the Rt. 113 remediation project properties; Owen will be doing Road 6 and Road 4 inspections. Martha noted that the work being done under the grant on the Hi-Vu access project, and Watchic Roads 3 and 15 will be added to the annual inspections next year.

**Committee Assignments:** Some preliminary assignments were made.

**The meeting adjourned by consent at 8:15 pm.**

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