



**Watchic Lake Association  
Board of Directors' Meeting Summary  
May 17, 2023, via Zoom**

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Paul McNulty. A quorum was established. Sarah Greg of Standish Kiwanis joined the meeting. Minutes of the April 12, 2023, were approved by consent.

**Long Range Planning: Rick and Rob** will summarize the results and next steps at our June meeting.

**Boat Inspections:** As background, several property owners raised concerns regarding whether boats were checked for invasive plants as they entered the lake for a fishing derby last year. Dave and Eileen Burnell and Bob Babcock from Hi-Vu/Rd 6 attended recent boat inspection training classes. They will help ensure boats entering at the Hi-Vu launch are checked. Paul and Steve will develop guidance for other locations for the spring newsletters.

**Education:** Nancy suggested that garden best practices tours be organized on different days, according to the schedules of anyone willing to provide a tour at their property. The group agreed that this was a good plan and Nancy will organize this so that information will be available at the annual meeting.

**Membership:** Email newsletters will begin late May.

**Annual Meeting:** The annual member meeting this year will be on July 8 at Standish Town Hall. After discussion, Cathy and Steve will put together a presentation on cyanobacteria and failing septic systems. Paul will provide an update on the grant remediation work. Martha will contact James Paruk the loon authority from Gorham about speaking at the meeting.

**2023-2024 Operating Budget:** With Agnes not able to attend, the board agreed to table discussion on this item until the next meeting.

**Nominating Committee:** Several people have been contacted to discern their interest in being on the board and we are waiting for responses from some of them. The following officer positions are open: President (2 year), Vice President (2 year), Secretary (1 year, balance of term).

**Rt 113 System.** After recent heavy rains, it was decided that a walkthrough of the system was in order to determine if it needs modifications to handle the waterflow. A group including Paul and Cathy, as well as Don Drew and David Bradbury who were involved in the original project design will meet on June 4 for this walk through. Property owners will be notified of this walkthrough. A meeting with affected property owners will be held after the walkthrough.

**Dam Building Maintenance:** Owen noted that the building needs to have an oil preservative applied. Martha asked about also putting measurements on the cement work on the front of the dam, to designate full pond and inches above or below. Owen will organize volunteers to apply oil preservative to the dam building and explore ways to display water level on the front cement work

**June 14 Social Event:** Owen and Paul will organize and advertise this event once a venue is found

**The meeting adjourned by consent at 7:30 pm.**