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# Sylvia Lake Association

Spring Meeting Minutes  
June 15, 2018 7PM  
Fowler Town Hall

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## Guest Speaker:

Our honored guest speaker was Steve LaMere, President, Adirondack Ecologists. Steve and President Bill deLorraine toured the lake on June 15 so that Steve could conduct a field survey of the milfoil patches. Steve has been contracted to collect information relative to the abundance and distribution of this invasive species. Steve will provide the association with a written report and his recommendations.

In summary: Steve predicts we will lose our battle to invasive weeds in 20 years if we do not act take action immediately. Actions include: hand harvesting with suction hose utilizing 2 divers and a person to manage the process. Approximately \$1000 per day. It should take approximately 5-6 days. The section 25'-30' along Gary Scott's is perfect for the barriers. 6 1/2' to 7'. The mats should be in place no longer than 30 days and we must have a state permit. They should not be left in during the winter. Contributing to the problem is surface runoff. Very few properties have the needed 6-8foot buffer zone of native vegetation (not a grassy lawn) between structures and water. Don't use fertilizers.

Steve entertained a number of questions from property owners regarding use of mats, impact of hoses on fish, use of weevils, impact of runoff and failing septic systems. He encouraged us to join CLAP and reinstate our water testing program that was similar to the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program that we participated in from 2006-2013.

## Spring Meeting

### Call to Order:

The Sylvia Lake Association Annual meeting was called to order at 8:20PM by President Bill deLorraine.

### Secretaries Report:

Lea provided an update on the mailing for the 50th Anniversary Party. The minutes for the Annual Meeting on August 11, 2017 were approved. A fall newsletter will mailed in early October.

### Treasurer's Report

2017Year End Report- Ending Balance \$10,137.39

2018 January-June 15, 2108

#### Income

Dues 2017-.....	\$50.00
Dues 2018-.....	\$900.00
Donations Received-.....	\$75.00
Interest Income- .....	\$4.97
Pest Control/Spraying- .....	\$15,730.00

Total Income \$16759.97

#### Expense

Pests/Spraying for Caterpillars .....	\$8520.00
Credit Card Service Charges .....	\$168.21

Total Expense..... \$8688.21

Net Income..... \$8071.76

Bank Balance 6/15/18 ..... \$18183.34

The question was raised regarding raising the dues. It was suggested that discussion on this issue be tabled for another meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Water Quality:**

- Water testing: Bill reported the water test results from June 4, 2018. The results showed elevated EColi. Questions were raised regarding collection of water samples. The next sample is scheduled for next month.
- Caterpillars: Bill thanked everyone for the contributions and explained that the spraying would be a 2-3 year program.
- Mat Flipping scheduled for Saturday, July 7@1PM

#### **Fish and Game:**

- Linda Scott reported that she witnessed the annual stocking

#### **Navigation:**

- Buoys- Sandy will assess the buoys and purchase replacements
- Water Level- Water is low. The dam boards need replacing and we need someone to manage the boards .
- Beaver activity reported. Missy and Mike Tersmette have been regularly checking on the activity and pulling out debris on a regular basis.

#### **Social:**

4th of July Activities:

- Concert-Northbound Wednesday, July 4th. 5-7PM Turner Dock
- 5K Trail Run- Saturday, July 7th. Change in course. Start on West Shore Road
- Charlie Ferguson Fishing Derby- Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 7, 2018, 11:00-3:00. 25¢ per live rock bass. Coordinated by Ferguson Family. Trophies provided by the Forces.
- 50th Anniversary Party- Saturday, July 21, 2018 4PM, Casablanca Restaurant. Raffles and great food
- Nori Grout Regatta IV: August 5, 2018 @2PM All sailing vessels welcome. Trophies provided by the Force Family

#### **Nomination /Constitution-**

- Anyone wishing to serve as an officer or board member, please contact Olive Horning or Lea Dickson.

#### **Old Business:**

- Recommendations for Phase 2 of the 911 signage project. Robyn reported that she contacted BOCES and will be working with them to design and construct a sign for reflective slide-in style 911/names for our 1st responders. Location of the 1st sign is yet to be determined.

#### **New Business:**

- Boat Launch 'no parking" signage. Bill brought a sample sign to be installed at the Fishing Access Boat Launch. Bill hopes to deter parking that blocks access to the launch.
- Bill has requested cold patch from the Town of Fowler for repairs on Pumphouse Road. The Town of Fowler will followup on the legality.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectively Submitted,  
Lea Dickson, Secretary