

The Half Moon Lake Association's Secretary's Report

August 18th, 2007

The second annual meeting of the Half Moon Lake Association was called to order at 10:10 AM by President Jon Gilbert with 22 members present.

The Secretary's Minutes of the July 14th, 2007 meeting were read by Debbie Fedorchak. On a motion by Pat Mannion and seconded by Mike Fedorchak, the members voted to accept the Secretary's Minutes as read.

The Treasurer's Report was then given by Linda Bramante, who reported a balance of \$6976.25 as of today. She has reported a decrease in the amount of dues that have been received this year and thought that a reminder for dues could be sent out in our next mailing. On a motion by Pat Manion and seconded by Judy Hanson, the members voted to accept the Treasurer's Report as read.

Old Business

President Jon Gilbert addressed the first order of Old Business, which was the milfoil problem. There are still patches of it in the cove. Much discussion followed with regards to the milfoil and what we, as waterfront owners, could do to help to rid our lake of this invasive weed. Ed Blair reported that he has not had any volunteers for the Lake Host Program, but that he would still be available to coordinate this, if enough volunteers would come forward.

President Jon Gilbert then addressed the second order of Old Business about the boat ramp. He has composed a letter offering to buy the boat ramp, verified the correct address, and will mail the certified letter soon. Discussion with regards to the purchase of the boat ramp ensued.

New Business

The nomination of officers were as follows:

President- Jon Gilbert
Vice President- Gary Lee
Treasurer- Linda Bramante
Acting Secretary- Debbie Fedorchak

On a motion by Ed Blaire and seconded by John Wheeler, the members voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 AM

Respectfully Submitted,
Debbie Fedorchak, Secretary

The Half Moon Lake Association

The August 18th, 2007 meeting of the Half Moon Lake Association went well with 22 members present. The ongoing milfoil problem in our lake was discussed, and the general apathy of the lake front owners on this beautiful spring fed lake was questioned. Why weren't their more people here, attending the meetings, to find out what they can do to fight this problem? Everyone wants a nice clean weed free lake to swim and boat in, but very few want to do anything to keep it that way...even in the face of a milfoil invasion. We would like to start a Lake Host Program at our lake. The participants would be trained by the New Hampshire Lakes Association. They then would inspect all the boats going into our lake for milfoil and educate the public about this invasive plant. The hourly wage would be paid by the NH Lakes Association. If you are interested, please call Ed Blair at 603-776-2540.

The Treasurers Report showed that the dues payments were down this year and a reminder to pay your \$10 annual dues should be sent out...so here it is. If you haven't sent in your dues, please send a check to the "Half Moon Lake Association" to Linda Bramante, 19 Paulina Street, Somerville, MA 02143. Please enclose your E-Mail address with your payment to help keep down our postage costs.

A reminder that our Labor Day Boat Parade will take place on Saturday, September 1st, 2007 with a rain date of Sunday, September 2nd, 2007. Please meet in front of Camp MiTeNa at 8 PM to join in the fun. Decorations on boats are encouraged.

Boat safety is encouraged. Many boats have been seen out on the lake at night with no lights on. Many people are water-skiing with no spotters. There is a boat that tows five or six small children in a tube..... this is so dangerous. Please operate your boats on our lake in a safe manner and in a counterclockwise direction only. We need to remind you that everyone will be required to have a boating certificate by January 2008, in order to operate any boat with any motor greater than 25 HP. Boating certificate information can be obtained by logging onto www.nhboatingeducation.com or by calling 1-888-254-2125.

When using fertilizer on your lawns, please use a fertilizer with no phosphorous, the middle number on fertilizers. You can buy "NO-PHOS fertilizer" at Clarks Grain Store. This will keep down the algae blooms in our lake and keep our lake healthier.

The officers for the Half Moon Lake Association are as follows

Jon Gilbert, President (776-5950) (loonybin@metrocast.net)

Gary Lee, Vice President

Linda Bramante, Treasurer (617-724-6098) (lbramante@partners.org)

Debbie Fedorchak, Acting Secretary (776-6899) (nhcottage@metrocast.net)

Respectfully,

Debbie Fedorchak, Acting Secretary