

THE LAKE CHEMUNG
HERON



Lake Chemung Riparian Association

Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2008

Meeting Minutes By: Lyn Hewitt

Attendance:

Board Members Present: Lyn Hewitt, Sue Sytniak, Charlie Jones, Ginny Himich, Mary Hough

Board Members Absent: Leon Hewitt, Sharon Himich

Other Attendees: Bob Huber, Dale Groff, Bob Press, Ray Phillips, Len Matras, Shirley Matras, Pam Shaver, Linda Gallerani

Meeting called to order: 7:01 p.m. by Lyn Hewitt

Minutes: The meeting minutes from the August 2008 meeting were attached to the agenda packages that each attendee received. Motion to approve minutes: L. Hewitt, second G. Himich; motion carried unanimously

Treasurers Report: Motion to approve treasurer's report, G. Himich, second C. Jones; Motion carried unanimously.

Beginning Balance - \$3612.96

Income

- Memberships - \$15.00
- Advertising - \$50.00

Total Income - \$65.00

Expenditures

- Funeral Flowers - \$84.70
- Trophy Engraving - \$6.00

Total Expenditures - \$90.70

Ending Balance as of August 31, 2008 - \$3587.26

Correspondence:

- The LCRA received a thank you note from Jack Pike regarding the remembrance LCRA sent after the passing of his son.
- Lisa Price contacted Lyn Hewitt regarding the presence of heavy weed growth in her area of the lake.
- Henry Haigh of Haigh Electric Company sent in payment to the LCRA to be a website sponsor. The LCRA thanks Henry for his contribution to the organization and looks forward to adding Haigh Electric Company's advertising to the website.
- Other complaints of weeds were discussed. Ginny Himich stated that an additional treatment for algae (chara) was completed on August 13th. Results should be seen in a couple of weeks. G. Himich also mentioned that LCRA is over budget for treatment this year so it is unlikely that additional work to treat the lake will be done this late in the season. A different set of chemicals for treatment will be used next year to spot treat problem areas and harvesting is likely. Problem areas will be marked for additional attention during next year's treatment program.

- Bob Press inquired as to how long we have been using ProgressiveAE for weed management. The LCRA has used the company for the past 6 years. Bob Huber asked about future harvesting of the weeds. The weeds are harvested as recommended by ProgressiveAE. Harvesting will likely be part of the lake's management in summer 2009.

Old Business:

- NEWSLETTER: Will resume with spring issue. The Hewitt's plan to hand deliver the newsletter to lake residents again next year due to the increase in paid memberships last spring. The fall renewal reminder will not go out; it will instead be included in the spring newsletter.
- WEED CONTROL: Discussed in Correspondence Section.
- WEBSITE: To be completed over the next few months. Our web designer J. Cameron is working on accommodating our request to use our existing software for editing and maintenance of the website.
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Postponed from August 2008 meeting. Motion to continue with the current set of officers for one more term carried unanimously. No volunteers for secretary. If position cannot be filled beginning with the February 2009 meeting, will rotate position with all officers taking a turn to record minutes. Mary Hough agreed to help with secretarial duties as an alternate.

New Business

- REGIONAL PROGRAM, MLSA: To be held in Howell (at the Howell Nature Center) on Saturday October 11th. For additional information or to register to attend contact Ginny Himich.
- STRATEGIC PLANNING ACTIVITY: The meeting attendees took part in a strategic visioning exercise. This activity focused on the vision and mission of the organization and what programs we would like to have moving forward. The items will be added to the next meeting agenda (February 2009) when implementation will be open for discussion.

Have a great fall and holiday season!

Next meeting: February 4, 2009

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm