

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
Beaver River Property Owners Association
Sunday, September 2, 2007 ▪ Beaver River Hotel, Beaver River Station, NY

Board members present: Carol Schoch, President; Don Phelps, Gerry Fuerch, Bob Dickie, Kathy Partridge, Steve Edic. Absent: Ron Nearing

The meeting was called to order by Carol Schoch at 10:00 AM.

Roll was called by the secretary; there were 29 members present.

Nadine Bell made a motion to accept the June 30, 2007 minutes as sent to the membership. Seconded by Don Phelps. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Gerry Fuerch

The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$8814.27. A complete copy of the Treasurer's report is available from Treasurer Gerry or Secretary, Kathy Partridge. There were no objections to the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept. All were in favor.

Dock Committee: Don Phelps

There is \$1551.50 available to fund projects. There was no response to the appeal for assistance with dock repairs last month. Don will have planks and materials ready for Memorial Day, 2008. He plans to set an actual day for the work so that people can plan and sign up help.

Fire Committee: Ron Nearing (absent).

The Treasurer noted that no bills had been submitted for additional equipment.

Sunshine Committee:

Eleanor Hutchinski has stepped down. Cindy Crowley has taken the position. Carol reported on a snafu regarding the BRPOA's attempt to send flowers after Rich Meyer's son passed away in July. (Flowers were ordered online, order did not go through but notice was delayed, so no flowers were sent.)

Website update: Nothing new. Webmaster Kathy Partridge reminded everyone to check the website frequently for updates.

Safety Committee

Much discussion. When Rich Meyer's son collapsed in July, there was a lot of confusion. Scott and Mark Thompson were contacted and brought a defibrillator, but didn't know how to use it. Pat Oberman, who was at her camp, is a teacher certified months prior to administer CPR and would have attempted to revive him, but no one activated the siren so Pat was unaware of the emergency. BRPOA does have some medical supplies, but they're old. No one knows where the defibrillator is now. We have a void – we need to know where emergency supplies and equipment are stored. The suggestion was made that the BRPOA try to obtain a medical stat kit from a doctor for \$300 - \$400. Such kits must be stored in a heated location.

Al Larmann made a motion that the Medical Committee (Don Phelps, Bill Brewer, Donna Brown, Al Larmann, Tom Calhoun and Karl Krombach) be authorized to spend up to \$500 (without consultation with the Board of Directors) for the expressed purpose of securing a medical kit per the recommendation of Dr. Brewer. Seconded by Tom Calhoun. Motion carried.

Issue: Hamburger Helper Grant: Carol Schoch

The Hamburger Helper Grant is designed to help small communities purchase equipment or other items. The deadline has been extended.

Sharon Fuerch suggested that the BRPOA look into the purchase of a 4-wheeler fire "truck". The Clifton FD has one. Our "fire barn" would have to be enlarged to accommodate it. It has tanks, winches, etc. and can also be outfitted with snow treads. Nadine Bell volunteered to write the grant proposal. Kathy Partridge will Google and investigate other options. Sharon and Gerry Fuerch will also assist.

Issue: Liability Insurance

In the past, the BRPOA has carried liability insurance on the dock, but does not now. Every member in the BRPOA is liable for what happens on the dock(s). Carol asked for a show of hands; the majority in attendance thinks it would be a good idea to resume carrying liability insurance.

Steve Edic made a motion that the Beaver River Property Owners Association spend up to \$300 for the purchase of a liability insurance policy, with the Board of Directors to authorize additional funds if necessary. Ken Carman seconded. Majority in favor; 1 opposed.

Issue: Junk Ordinance: Carol Schoch

Carol wrote a letter to Andy Getty of the Town of Webb Codes office regarding the BRPOA membership's wishes as determined at the June 30 meeting. The letter has been posted on the BRPOA website. Carol attended the August 14 Webb Town Board meeting at which the Town's "junk ordinance" was passed. The complete text of the ordinance appeared in the *Adirondack Express* and is also available on the BRPOA website.

Don Oberman contacted a trash hauler and was quoted a price of \$4000 for a "roll off". The Adirondack Scenic Railroad has said they would transport the roll off to Beaver River at no charge, as a gesture of good will.

Election of Officers

Tom Calhoun, as chair of the Nominating Committee, recommended that the current slate of Officers (with the exception of Ron Nearing who resigned his Board position two weeks previously) continue in their positions for 2008. He asked for two nominations from the floor to fill Ron Nearing's Board seat.

Steve Edic moved that the Secretary cast a single vote in favor of the current slate of Officers remaining in their positions until July 2008. Tom Calhoun seconded. The motion was tabled.

Nominations were called for from the floor:

President: none. Closed.

Vice President: none. Closed.

Secretary: none. Closed.

Treasurer: none. Closed.

Steve Edic: Motion is on the floor.

Secretary cast a single vote in favor of the current slate of Officers remaining until July 2008. All accepted.

Election of Board of Directors:

Jenny Lundberg nominated Al Larmann to fill the vacant Board seat. Al Larmann declined.

Tom Brown nominated George Jordan. George Jordan declined.

Don Phelps nominated Tom Calhoun. Tom Calhoun accepted the nomination.

Norm Linsey moved that the Secretary cast one ballot for Tom Calhoun. Donna Brown seconded. All were in favor. Secretary cast a single vote in favor of Tom Calhoun to fill the vacant Board seat. The Board of Directors for 2007 – 2008 will consist of Bob Dickie, Steve Edic, and Tom Calhoun.

Other Business:

1. Steve Edic presented a suggestion from Jim Campbell that duck decoy buoy markers be placed on rock piles in the Stillwater Reservoir.
2. Pete Hutchinski feels that someone from the BRPOA needs to talk to Mr. Moore (Webb Town Supervisor) about more road work in Beaver River. He also feels that the BRPOA should do something for founding member Bill Partridge (in a nursing home) even though he is no longer a member. Steve Edic suggested that Sunshine send a card or other appropriate gesture.
3. There was a brief discussion of the annoying dirt bikes buzzing around Beaver River all weekend; it was pointed out that the dirt bikers are apparently guests of the Norridgewock.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Tom Calhoun to adjourn. Pete Hutchinski seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Partridge, BRPOA Secretary