## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING Beaver River Property Owners Association, Inc. Sunday, May 30, 2010 • Beaver River Hotel, Beaver River Station, NY

Board members present: Carol Schoch, President; Don Phelps, Gerry Fuerch, Kathy Partridge, Dennis Slater, Tom Calhoun. Absent: Steve Edic

Also Attending: Anne Brewer, Jim Brod, Tom Brown, Judi Calhoun, Ken Carman, Dave Crowley, Jim Curtin, Vanna Curtin, Gerry Fuerch, Sharon Fuerch, Steve Hegge, Eleanor Hutchinski, Pete Hutchinski, George Jordan, Carl Krombach, Phyllis Krombach, Al Larmann, Jenny Lundberg, Ron Nearing, Eileen Doyle, Don Oberman, Pat Oberman, Don Osborn, Jill Osborn, Bob Partridge, Ruth Phelps, Gary Robinson, <del>Deborah Sawitz</del>, Larry Schoch, Doug Seamon, Gayle Seamon, Doug Schelleng, Darrel Slater, Sleepy Hollow, Lara Turney, Kim VanDresar, Todd VanDresar, Barb Weingart, Richard Searles, Phyllis Searles, Andrew Maidment, Susan Maidment. Guest: Edee Partridge, Fay Fuerch from the DEC.

President Carol Schoch called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

- 1. Roll call.
- 2. Treasurer's Report: Gerry Fuerch.
- 3. Minutes of the March meeting. On a motion by Carl Krombach, seconded by Jenny Lundberg the minutes were unanimously approved.
- 4. Membership enrollment forms. The form has been redesigned so that we can have more complete information on everyone. Form has been posted on the website.
- 5. Carol reminded everyone that the group email list and website are intended only for topics relating to Beaver River. Off topic messages should be sent privately to friends.
- 6. Bylaws discussion. The clause regarding annual dues conflicts with itself by specifying both an amount of \$10 and procedures by which dues may be raised. In an informal vote, a majority of those in attendance agreed that the clause needs clarification. Per camp or per person also needs to be specified. It was also suggested that the Bylaws be changed to allow for absentee ballots. A Bylaws committee was appointed to tackle these issues. Members of the committee:
  - Al Larmann, Chair
  - Jim Brod
  - Don Oberman
  - Lara Turney
  - Jim Curtin
  - Doug Schelleng
- 7. Bti (blackfly abatement). This is a Town of Webb program. All members were urged to sign the petition to request that Beaver River be included in the program, after which stream treatment would be done annually.

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8. Dock: Randy Young, DEC Attorney has issued an 11 page "consent order" which will allow the BRPOA to keep the "new" dock at Grassy Point, with the Town of Webb taking over ownership in 2011. The DEC is holding all the cards on this; Carol (as President) either had to sign the order or the dock would be dismantled and BRPOA would be sent the bill.

Technically, we have no permit for either dock; the permit we do have allowed only for construction of the "new" dock, but there was never a permit for leaving the dock in place (?).

The old dock has to be removed by September 15. The DEC will need advance notification before this is done.

BRPOA paid a \$100 fine for having both docks on State Land in violation (no permits).

Some of the compliance requirements in the consent order were discussed.

Motion: Lara Turney made a motion that the dock be removed on July 4 weekend and that all parties be properly notified beforehand. Motion was later withdrawn. It was determined that Don Phelps and Jim Curtin would work out a schedule and plan a work party to dismantle the old dock. Don will notify the DEC as required.

- 9. DEC Officer Fay Fuerch spoke to the group regarding the history of problems in town. She discussed the new parking regulations in Stillwater, The new restrictions in Beaver River are, in part, a response to the vandalism of the Ranger's boat in July of 2008. Question and answer session followed.
- 10. Discussion of possible DEC restrictions on the mooring of George Jordan's raft at Grassy, as well as the Thompson's barge. Jim Curtin volunteered to write a letter to the Town of Webb in support of both Beaver River businesses.
- 11. Property assessment: the Town assessor is planning to come to Beaver River during the week sometime in mid-summer.
- 12. Fund-raising: Darrel Slater volunteered to work on this.
- 13. Jim Curtin will look into the possibility of holding various social functions in town.
- 14. Brief discussion of upcoming elections at the annual meeting. The President will appoint a nominating committee.
- 15. Kathy Partridge announced that today is the 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of her parents, Bob and Edee Partridge.
- 16. Ken Carman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Don Osborn seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Partridge, BRPOA Secretary