



**CRC MEETING MINUTES
2-25-21 BOARD MEETING (ZOOM)**

ATTENDANCE: Michelle Pratt –President, Scott Snyder- Perusse-Vice President, Penni McEleney-Treasurer, MaryAnn Philo-Secretary, Deb Herath–Emeritus, Jerry Crane-Emeritus, Sharon Jones-Hospitality, Linda Champagney, Kevin Maloney, Rick Seaman, Ginny Graves, Beth Thomas, John Wilson, Tammy Prevost

Absent: Sandy McDowell-Hospitality

ANNOUNCEMENTS: MEETING DATES: April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12

DISCUSSION:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

CRC member, Dennis Goldie, passed away in the fall, and he will be sorely missed. With good intentions, Jerry wanted to do something in memory of Dennis, and collected information before approaching the board. The board needs to decide what would be appropriate to do in memory of members. After discussion, the board voted that CRC money will be spent on the lake, not memorials for members. In the future, CRC may decide to remember members in some way.

The 10-13- 20 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Penni reviewed the treasurers report. There is \$5258.81 in checking, \$16,782.22 in savings and \$34,648.40 in the investment account. \$15,000 was moved from the checking account to the savings account in the fall. The July 2019 lake treatment cost was \$2675.00, which has been paid. At the next board meeting we will discuss moving some funds into the investment account.

The Lake Management Committee had a hard time last year with buoys getting run over and destroyed. Replacement cost for these could run \$500 to \$5000. The Town of Southwick removed the lake equipment funding from the LMC budget last year, so they have no funds for replacement. CRC is considering helping LMC to purchase or upgrade to a higher quality metal buoy with caged lights, which is more costly, and voted in the fall to assist LMC if funds are needed. Ginny and Scott are researching the type and cost of buoys for LMC and will report back to CRC.

Discussion ensued regarding the dock and ramp fees and where the money is spent. Dock fees are different than ramp fees. Dock fees go toward lake patrols and weed treatment. The town of Suffield contributes to the dock fees from their general fund. The Ramp fees go to LMC for use toward lake safety.

Everyone who attends the board meetings has been voting on discussed issues. The charter states that CRC needs to have 7 voting members which would be the Executive Board, Hospitality Chair and the 2 Past President's since CRC doesn't currently have many voting Committee Chairs. CRC will continue to have all attendees vote during the board meetings.

Ron Green has submitted his letter of resignation from the board to pursue other endeavors. This will impact the July 4th boat parade. A subcommittee needs to be organized to help Jerry. CRC may need to purchase a new PA system for this event.

Linda will organize the CRC Savers drive which will be in May.

Suffield is having a 350th year celebration parade on October 9th. CRC will plan to put a decorated boat in the parade.

Deb is working on getting CRC'S fiscal year changed to April. Deb doesn't want to do the taxes for 2020, so Penni is looking for a CPA.

CRC members will be able to get into Babb's for free in 2021. Ginny will follow up with town of Suffield, providing membership lists.

Membership fees will stay the same for 2021. Penni has been updating the Google Sheets data sheet with membership information as it comes in. John Wilson will update the Facebook Page to include a PayPal link for membership. Michelle handed out a CRC flyer to fisherman last weekend and had a positive response. Tammy wants to hand out flyers/information on North Pond Beach area this summer. CRC will continue to give t-shirts and sweatshirts for levels of membership and discuss the logo and sales at a future meeting. The membership forms need to be updated, and the mailing list needs to be determined. Currently, CRC membership can be obtained through the website paying with PayPal or mailing a check. The 2019 membership drive costs were \$869.00 for materials, and the membership dues obtained totaled \$8723.00. In 2020, CRC did not do a mailing, and the membership dues totaled \$3200.00, so the board decided to do a mailing and address the envelopes to individuals. Penni will contact the marina dock owners to request they give the renters CRC membership information. CRC needs to post on Facebook, the Southwick websites, and provide flyers at boat ramps, marinas, and local businesses in order to reach out to the community. The board needs to finalize the membership mailing and will meet again by ZOOM on March 9th at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 pm