



**CRC MEETING MINUTES  
05-09-23 Board Meeting & General Meeting -  
The Brass Rail & ZOOM**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Board Members; Michelle Pratt –President, Scott Snyder-Perusse-Vice President, Mike Orszulak -Treasurer, Corinne Pooler-Secretary, Deb Herath-Emeritus, Associate Board Members; Linda Champagny, Sharon Jones, MaryAnn Philo, Penni McEleney ,Ginny Graves, Kevin Maloney  
**Absent:** Jerry Crane-Emeritus, Associate Board Members; none absent

**DISCUSSION:**

The Board meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm

April & May's meriting minutes are being prepared. Plan on reviewing for June's meeting.

Mike reviewed the Treasurers Report. Currently in Checking \$8,228.37  
Savings \$ 10,494.76  
Brokerage/Investment \$ 68,693.13  
Paypal \$ 2,256.92  
Total \$ 89,673.18

Dues raised to date for 2023 \$6738.  
Reflected in act balances.  
Current Household Memberships: 119

Unfortunately, the Amazon smile donation program has stopped. In total we received \$ 623 in donations from Amazon. Thanks to all that participated.

The membership drive was discussed. It a bit slower this year. We will to continue to have events throughout the year & publicize on FB.

Update on Bouy light project will be discussed.

Winter party details to be discussed see general meeting minutes.

4th of July Boat Parade 07/01/2023. Possibility of a band this year? Maybe use fm tuner so participants can hear the music on their boats. Wind made it challenging. Maybe more publicizing for citizens w/o boats to come to Babb's and enjoy beach and the music. Discussion- TBC

Golf Tournament Sept 23,2023- Increase a little on entry fee? We will research. Sponsors do bring in money. Looking for a D.J. for dinner afterwards. TBC

Dredging plans are still being worked on. TBC

Cornhole Tournament for fun: Jenn @ The Brass Rail has offered her facility. Offer a few prizes. People volunteer to bring their boards to use. TBC

Winter Party. Band Confirmed: Cold shot. TBC

Need Volunteer for CPA for taxes & Lawyer for by-laws. Al Goldman getting a referral list for us.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm

## **General Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

### **DISCUSSION:**

**Treasurer Report:** See board meeting minutes.

Talk to neighbors/friends to join and/or participate in events with CRC. Our Dues/donations go to a great cause. Paying 1/3 of invasive weed treatments on a yearly basis is just one of the many important contributions for our lakes. Thanks to our members.

Dr Eric Mueller- Presentation on our lake health. CRC advocated for alum treatment. Town voted yes for the alum treatment under unprecedented circumstances during covid. Alewife are limiting our water clarity. This is the 3rd year in a row no algae blooms. So the alum treatment is working. CRC , LMC & the town work together caring for the lakes. Milfoil, curly leaf pond weed , water quality monitoring program, sampling, algae bloom mgmt., beavers, Ecoli, canal restoration project, dredging, natural fish dye off, possible septic issues? Were discussed. Q&A with membership in person & via zoom. Thank you to Lmc and our consulting lymnologist for their hard work. They are volunteers.

Thank you to the volunteers whom put the docks in at the north ramp. Shout out to Scott-VP & Mike -Treasurer they help every year. And also those who offered to collect water samples.

Mark Colbert bouy adapter update- We are lighting all 9 bouys in the sand bar channel to help keep people safe. We did vote to purchase lights. The adapters are being made for the new bouys. The fabrication and installation is moving forward. When we receive the lights we will install them. They are being shipped from Denmark. We are at the mercy of shipping. The bouys can still be put out. As soon as they come in we can install them. The people whom are making the adapters are training in trades. Its a non profit in Hartford called MakerSpaceCT. ( see [MakerspaCT.org](http://MakerspaCT.org) for more info) We are teching in areas such as Engineering, electronics, 3d printing, wood shop, metal fab shop. I have showed some recruits the plan for the light adapters. They can practice tigwelding. And its a good opportunity to have a project like this on their resume. It is empowering and engaging young adults to jump into the trades.

It is possible to expand the lighting project else where on the lake after we install the 9 bouys. Some of the new bouys should have been installed today. Its a big job.

The holiday party is December 9th, 2023. We have hired Cold Shot for the band. The price should be around \$35 pp.

The 4th of July Boat parade is Saturday July 1st, 2023. Last year we had a great turn out 70 boats. The awesome band the Water Rats played for us. Not as many people on land at Babbs. We are trying to figure out what to do on land. Have a band or not? Any other fun ideas. Let us know.

Golf Tournament- @ Edgewood Golf Course Saturday September 23,2023. Same format a scramble shotgun start. Dinner afterwards @ the Brass Rail. With a dj. About \$3000 worth of raffels. Our local businesses were super generous to us. We have had fenominal weather the previous years. If you can make it for golf. Please join us for dinner at the brass rail. Tickets were \$35 last year for dinner.

**Possible Cornhole Tournament for fun: Jenn @ The Brass Rail has offered her facility. Offer a few prizes. People volunteer to bring their boards to use. More info to come**

**We are still looking for a CPA for our taxes. Also a lawyer licensed in Ma to help finalize the by-laws. Let us know if you know anyone that can help.**

**The July meeting should be great. Pat Biardi on Smiths Beach and growing up on Congamond. Please come in person if you can. It should be a great presentation.**

**Up coming meeting Dates 06/13, 07/11 - Pat Biardi -Smiths Beach, 08/08, 09/12**

The meeting was adjourned at 8: 15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Corinne Pooler- Secretary of CRC