## Eagle Lake Property Owners, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006

**Present:** Jere Paddock, President; Rolf Tiedemann, Vice-President; Rin Fraize, Treasurer; John

Pynn; Lew Zankel; Andy Belkevich

**Absent:** Todd Condon, Secretary; Jim Shultz; Lloyd Burroughs

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by President Jere Paddack at his

Eagle Lake camp. Minutes from the July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006 ELPOI Board of Directors Meeting were read by Rin Fraize and approved by the Board without any

additions or amendments.

**Old Business:** Milfoil Eradication Committee Chairman Rolf Tiedemann announced a new date

for meeting with Senator Betty Little to discuss the denial of our NYS DEC Milfoil Eradication Grant, and to see how we may proceed in the near future and perhaps acquire funding still for the project. The meeting will take place on Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 1:30 PM to be located at the Eagle Lake home of Paul and Lloyd Burroughs. All ELPOI Officers and Directors are urged to attend.

Andy Belkevich has been investigating liability insurance for ELPOI. He will have more information for us at the next meeting. Rin made a motion that Rolf continue to work with the Towns of Ticonderoga and Crown Point in hiring divers with their own insurance. The motion was seconded and all were in favor.

Rolf inquired about how we should proceed with the grant money we do have in regards to milfoil eradication. 1.) Do nothing and return the money back to the state. 2.) Spend it for hand harvesting and matting through the towns/contracting local dive team. 3.) Going for a permit for an application of herbicide. Have it in hand when a new grant comes around. Permitting application could cost \$6000. All were in favor of continuing to hand harvest at this time.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer, Rin Fraize reported that he visited Citizens Bank in

Ticonderoga to present them with the ELPOI Resolution and roster of new ELPOI Board Members. He was told that the Resolution was not needed, but a copy of the minutes from the Annual Meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006 were, along with each new officers driver's license and social security number. Other members questioned why such information was required. Jere responded that this is the new procedure for form verification with all banks. It was agreed that all the Officers should be on record at the bank so as to have authority to sign checks if needed. Rin expressed that he was not completely satisfied with Citizens Bank in regards to customer service, but that a large quantity of checks with that bank are still in hand. Rin then read the resolution stating that Citizens Bank would continue to be the official bank of ELPOI. The resolution was then approved by the Board Members present.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Membership Committee:** Rin has been largely responsible for the membership committee in regards to keeping track of new members and those who have sold their properties and are no longer members. John Pynn noted that his wife Cheryl has been sending out letters to new property owners on the lake. Unfortunately, she has had no way of finding out if they responded or not by becoming members. In the future, it was suggested that the membership committee try to be more active in keeping more up to date records in this area. John suggested that having a list of current members and a list of current lake residents would help figure out where more potential members lay. Rin and Rolf also suggested more personal contact with lake residents could impact communications and positive membership enrollment. Jere suggested a letter to residents about current lake efforts and what they could do to make a difference, even in their own backyards, including following good lake conduct, especially in regards to jet skis and lake speeds.

Rin quickly ran through the list of committees currently in existence, but no new reports were given under most of these. Contacts are listed for each.

- Membership Committee (see above) (Cheryl Pynn and Burroughs)
- Water Quality Committee (Burroughs and Rin Fraize)
- Milfoil Eradication Committee (Rolf Tiedemann)
- Fish Stocking Committee (Andy Belkevich)
- Communications Committee (Jere Paddack and Todd Condon)
- Adopt-A-Natural-Resource Committee (Rolf Tiedemann)
- Adopt-A-Highway Committee (Todd and Tonya Condon and Burroughs)
- Neighborhood Watch Committee (Todd and Tonya Condon)
- Education Committee (undecided action/to be determined as needed)
- Highway Committee (Todd Condon)

## **New Business:**

Rin handed out to the other Board Members a complete list of current lake residents along with their addresses, phone numbers and map location numbers. This list is especially helpful for local emergency agencies. The Board Members present approved giving the list to lake residents who request it and to the local emergency agencies. This list will not be supplied to vendors or the like for privacy courtesies.

Jere suggested that more lake buoys be constructed and put out alerting boaters to the milfoil patches. Rolf suggested better signage alerting lake visitors about milfoil infestation at the boat launches. Andy made a motion to allocate \$500 towards signage. It was seconded and approved by all.

It was suggested having an end-of-the-summer get together on the lake at the DEC public beach. Some question was put forth about the availability of this space during the Labor Day weekend. Perhaps reserving this space by erecting tents or contacting the DEC. Rolf suggested putting a temporary sign up on the bulletin board alerting visitors that ELPOI would be having a picnic on such and such a date. Jere suggested waiting until next year and first focusing on getting memberships up and more people involved. This discussion will be continued at the 2007 ELPOI Annual Membership Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.

The next ELPOI Board of Directors meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006. at the Eagle Lake Camp of ELPOI President Jere Paddack.

Respectfully submitted by Todd J. Condon on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006. Transcribed from audio tape recorded by Rolf Tiedemann on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006.