



THREE PONDS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

TPPA Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: 06/27/13 **Time:** 6:30pm **Place:** Nute High School

AGENDA

President Steve Baker opened the meeting and proposed making it a working meeting

1. Membership

- Has been steady at around 100 families but we want to expand membership to sustain the organization
- Membership drive planning
 - Norm presented an outreach flyer that will be distributed to all waterfront properties; Information on threats, importance of maintaining water quality and membership will be featured; feedback from the group will be incorporated
 - The plan is to hand deliver the flyers to waterfront properties; to make distribution easy we'll use plastic sleeves to hang the flyers on mailboxes or door knobs
 - We need to split up the delivery; perhaps also solicit weed -watchers
 - We can also email members to ask for assistance
 - Use next week to get everything organized
 - Meet next week of 7/8/13 Norm Turgeon's set up distribution; distribute by following weekend
 - Print 600 – Norm; buy 600 bags – Wendy
 - We should also place flyers at Mite Jo Campground, at the Town Offices and at other venues

2. Weed watching program

- There was some confusion as to whether all former weed watchers had been contacted and what areas are covered for the summer
- Steve reminded members that a new coordinator of the program is needed; he has someone who has expressed interest in TPPA and he will approach her to see if she can take on the project
- Weed watchers will be offered free membership

3. July meeting

- We are looking at sponsoring a cookout on a Saturday at the town beach – 7/20 or 27th
 - Bob Myrick to check with Karen Brown (652-4501 x. 8) to see if we can get approval and what it will require; Emory Booska to back up with Town Manager if needed
 - Wayne Sylvester proposed that we promote the work of the organization with a brief presentation and informational posters.
 - Wayne will also contact the Loon Preservation Society to see if they can set up a table; loons are always a good draw
4. Erosion Control Grants
- We have received one application for a grant on Hideway Lane. Steve to follow up with request for photos; the grant will be awarded once application is complete
5. Shoreline public use
- At end of Townhouse Road:
 - There is lots of trash, people park there to fish and access the water; kids from Lebanon side are swimming to the pylons and jumping off; there have been problems with kids jumping near moving boats
 - Steve will talk to Pat Smith about adding riprap to control erosion and discourage use
 - Along the Townhouse causeway:
 - More people parking which compromises the tree roots and destroys the buffer
 - There is also more visible trash
 - We need to determine who owns the property
6. Promotion
- Discussion of placing TPPA informational posters at the campground, town beach and Fernald Shore

The meeting concluded at 8:06.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Beckwith
Secretary, TPPA