CEDAR LAKE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CLAC)
MINUTES
3 February 2020

Call to order at 7:15pm 3 February 2020

In attendance were Tom Brelsford, Ted Taigen and Nancy Byrne.

Reading of the minutes by Nancy Byrne from the 25 November 2019 meeting of the CLAC.

Motion to accept minutes made by Ted, seconded by Nancy and followed by unanimous yeas.

No audience of citizens.

Old business:

Beach Rule Board - The Town Selectman reviewed the draft text for the proposed rule board and responded with a request for several changes. The CLAC discussed and agreed on changes to the draft text. Motion to bring the revised text to the Selectman's office by Ted and seconded by Nancy followed by unanimous yeas. Tom will submit the revised text to the Selectman's office for final approval.

The rule board will be placed at the small town beach located on Cedar Lake Road and will list prohibited activities. The complete town beach ordinance will be posted on the back side of the rule board.

Lake Ordinance -

The committee discussed the idea to prohibit boat trailers and combustion engines in Cedar Lake for the purpose of preventing the invasion of hydrilla and water chestnut. These invasive plants are expensive to control once introduced into a water body.

The committee discussed restricting use of the State Boat Ramp to hand transported boats with the exception of emergency vessels and special permitted vessels. It was mentioned that the State Boat Ramp must stay open but the Town may prohibit trailers and combustion engines in the Lake.

To quote Tom "The committee will provide the town Selectman's Office with a draft of an amendment to the Ordinance Concerning Use Of Town Parks and Beaches. The plan is to have Select woman Lauren Gister schedule a public informational meeting about the threat of aquatic invasive plants to our Cedar Lake Watershed and how we may help prevent the introduction of those plants by ordinance. After this public meeting to help educate our towns residents and be more informed, there would a vote at the next town meeting regarding the ordinance amendment proposal to prohibit combustion motors on the lake and the use boat trailers for launching or retrieving boats on Cedar Lake. This gives our town residents the opportunity to be informed on the issue and to decide whether this ordinance amendment should be adopted as a way to help..."
prevent the introduction of new invasive aquatic plants into the Cedar Lake Watershed."

Motion to submit a draft ordinance to the selectman's office made by Ted and seconded by Nancy followed by unanimous yeas.

Weed Management 2020 - The committee had a lengthy discussion on hydro-raking and other methods of weed control. The committee discussed hydro raking this spring for a period of three work days and setting 2-3 benthic barriers on the lake bed beneath the southwest buoy string at the Peletre Park Beach after hydro-raking of this area. Nancy will follow up on prices for the benthic barriers.

Weed Management for the future - Tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

Regular Meeting Schedule - Tom proposed meeting every other month with meetings held the last Monday of every odd numbered month. Motion to meet every other month made by Ted, seconded by Nancy and followed by unanimous yeas.

Election of officers - Motion to keep current officers the same was joyously made by Ted and seconded by Nancy followed by unanimous yeas.

Next meeting will be at 7pm on Monday 30 March 2020 at Camp Hazen.

Members thank Denise and Camp Hazen for providing the meeting space and the wonderful chocolate chip cookies.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Submitted by: Nancy Byrne