

# LAKE ARROWHEAD OPEN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday August 14, 2001

**NOTE: Next Meeting is Tuesday, September 5, 2001 at 8PM**

**Present:** P. Nauta, L. Speiss, P. Rand, E. Baresh, M. Bertram, K. Scornavacca, A. Atkinson

**Absent:** K. Mellen, J. Stanton, D. Robinson, P. Geygan

President Peter Nauta called the meeting to order at 8:08PM. The last Open Board meeting minutes were read by Secretary Elizabeth Baresh.

**Motion:** by Peter Rand, second by Al Atkinson to approve the meeting minutes from the May 15, 2001 Open Board meeting. 7 yes, 0 no; motion passed.

**Treasurers Report:** Provided by Al Atkinson.

- For the month of July 2001 the beginning balance was \$56,316.82 with receipts of \$3,050.00 and disbursements of \$3,480.43 leaving a closing balance of \$55,885.39. Luckily our membership is up because we will have an increase in taxes. At this point Al isn't sure how much our taxes have gone up by because he hasn't had a chance to review the paperwork that was sent to him. The major expenditures for the period were for Allied Biological, the lifeguards and the Hub Lakes league.

**Motion:** by Peter Rand, second by Mike Bertram to approve the Treasurer's Report. 7 yes, 0 no; motion passed.

**Clubhouse Report:** In Doug Robinson's absence, Peter Nauta gave the report.

- **Bar Floor:** Doug wishes to thank Chris Brindle, Pete Franchi and Linford Hackman for their help in tearing out and laying the new sub floor and to Mike Baresh for his help in laying the first half of the new floor in the bar area. Doug hopes to finish working on the project this weekend. Elizabeth Baresh complimented Doug and his team on their efforts. The new floor looks great!
- **Lakeside of the Clubhouse:** Doug hopes to power wash and paint the backside of the clubhouse by the end of August.
- **Awning:** A new awning for the lakeside of the clubhouse is being researched. The cost for a new awning is much more than originally anticipated. Unfortunately to get the type of awning that we want (i.e. one that protects from rain and covers most of the patio), the cost is high. Since the summer is almost over, Doug suggested we continue with our present awning and budget for a new one next year (with the help of the Auxiliary).
- **Upkeep:** If anyone notices anything that should be taken care of, please contact Doug Robinson.

**Grounds Report:** In John Stanton's absence, Peter Nauta gave the report.

- **Plants:** The annuals at the bridge, clubhouse, Lakewood Drive, main entrance and Ridgewood entrance have been maintained with liquid fertilizer and water. Also weed and grass killer has been applied to areas at the clubhouse and by the river stone at the main entrance. In addition, the 'Arrow' planter at the main entrance has been weeded and roses have been cut to the base. The plants will be removed and replaced with evergreen shrubs this fall. John will need volunteers for that project. Finally additional shrubs have been purchased for the corner of Ridgewood and Mosswood. That area has also been prepared for planting.
- **Mosswood Berm:** Several trees were marked and cut down so the project could proceed. The dumping of fill has also started.
- **Big Thanks!:** John expressed his thanks to all those mentioned in the flyer he distributed. These people have given their time and energy towards the improvement of various Lake Arrowhead areas.
- **Mosswood Hole:** The residents of 18 Mosswood Trail (Mark Czyzewski and Amy Plishtin) brought to the Board's attention that some of the shrubbery along Rt. 46 has been cut down, thus creating a wide open space in the wooded area across the street from their home. The cuttings were done on State property, not on Lake Arrowhead property, but as a result there is a substantial increase in noise generated by Rt. 46. Mark and Amy asked if there was anything that could be done on Lake Arrowhead property to help buffer the noise. They suggested perhaps extending the berm. Unfortunately that won't be possible at this time, however, it was suggested that they contact John Stanton and discuss buying some evergreens for the area to help block the noise. Amy also asked that in the future if any trees need to be cut down on the Lake Arrowhead side to consult them first since this is a quality of life issue.

**Recreation Report:** In Phil Geygan's absence, Peter Nauta gave the report.

- **Blood Drive:** There will be a Blood Drive held at the Clubhouse on Thursday, August 30, 2001 from 3PM to 8PM.
- **Labor Day:** On Labor Day we typically host a softball game as well as the beach games. Phil needs some input for these events.

- Hub Lakes: Our Lake Arrowhead Golf team is the Hub Lakes Champions!! Congratulations to them!!! In addition, the Hub Lakes Dance is on 9/22/01. If you care to join us, please contact Phil Geygan. Also Phil mentioned the teams that were fielded for the 2001 season and thanked the following captains for their efforts: Men's Golf (PJ Webb), Men's Horseshoes (Mike Bertram), Women's Horseshoes (Mary Ellen Stanton), Men's Softball (Scott Todd), Table Tennis (Linford Hackman), Track & Field (Peter Franchi) and Women's & Co-ed Volleyball (Tracy Franchi). Lake Arrowhead did not participate in the following events this past year: bowling, diving, swimming, tennis, women's golf and roller hockey. Phil said we can field teams for these events if we get players and volunteers to be Captain and Coach.

**Membership Report:** Provided by Karen Scornavacca.

- Dues: So far, we have received payment from 108 members. That is the highest membership we have had in years! In addition, new people are coming into the area so perhaps we can offer them a prorated membership to entice them to join.
- Wine & Cheese Party: The Wine & Cheese Party held on Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> was a success. Forty-two adults and 12 children attended.
- Family Fun Night: Elizabeth Baresh thanked Karen for organizing 'Family Fun Night.' Each Sunday at 7PM families are encouraged to stop by Butterfly field for a friendly game of volleyball or bocce ball or just to play! So far, many families have enjoyed this summertime event!

**Special Projects:** Provided by Lisa Speiss.

- Beach Barbeque: We set the date: Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> and flyers will be distributed shortly telling residents about the event.

**Bar Report:** Provided by Mike Bertram.

- Cash Flow: July's beginning balance was \$30, with an income of \$65, expenses of \$13 and sales tax of \$18, leaving a closing balance of \$64.
- Misc.: The bar wasn't open much because there was no floor. Mike also asked for volunteers to bartend. If you are interested, please let him know.

**Lakes Report:** Provided by Peter Rand.

- Treatments: Peter said that we have been very fortunate in terms of not having to treat the lake much this year. He isn't sure whether it was luck or weather or timing or all of the above that prevented us from treating.
- Great Bay: The Great Bay has been noted to be a light brown in color. Peter asked Allied Biological to test the water to see what was going on. They tested the oxygen levels, which were fine, but they did however say that there was a colloidal suspension in the water. This means that a big run off of water entered the lake at one time, thus stirring it up. They said that the lake should settle over time, but assured Peter that the lake was fine.
- Dam Inspection: Peter got a letter from the State about the dam inspection. We will contract to do that this fall. He needs to talk to an engineer to see if we need to lower the lake.
- Fix the Floating Dock: Peter thanked Chris Brindle, Doug Robinson, Stephen Reh and Peter Franchi for their efforts in helping to repair the floating dock.
- Replacing the Main Dock: Peter Rand and a crew of volunteers have been working to lay Nextwood down on the main dock. This 'wood' is actually a plastic like material that should last a long time and cut down on splinters. He has replaced part of the dock thanks to the efforts of the following people: Doug Robinson, Linford Hackman, Greg Primeau, Stephen Reh, Mike Baresh, Paul & Cathy Dean, Tom Dean, Bruce Simpson, Kirk Mellen, John Anderson, Tom Lacey & Steve Scornavacca. Peter continued by saying that he would like to continue the work on the main dock if he can get the money and the volunteers to do so. It would cost roughly \$1,800 to finish the project. Since we have saved money on treatments this year, Peter suggested we use that money towards the dock. Elizabeth Baresh disagreed and asked why the other lakes weren't being treated and felt that the money should be moved into leaf removal if it wasn't going to be spent on treatments. Peter Rand answered that nothing is wrong with the other lakes and therefore they aren't being treated. If there was a problem, he would gladly treat them. In the end, Peter requested using the money in his budget to complete the project.
- Fallen Tree: Peter Rand thanked Bob Anderson and Chris Brindle for aiding the Fermaglichs in the removal of their tree that had fallen into the lake. Bob Anderson then suggested that some of the residents along the lake consider trimming back their trees that hang over the lake to help prevent debris from falling into the lake.

**Beach Report:** No report provided, as Kirk Mellon was absent, but a discussion among those present ensued.

- Sand: The residents in attendance questioned why the new sand that was bought was never spread? The children are actually bleeding when they fall on the hard sand that is in place now. They felt that the Board wasted money by allowing the sand pile to just sit there all summer long.
- Ladders: It was brought to the Board's attention that the ladders on the docks are rotting and breaking.
- Beach Rules: Sylvia Lacey asked why we published such ridiculous beach rules? Peter Nauta replied that those rules are to be published and distributed in accordance to State Law. Some discussion ensued and it was felt that the State rules, as well as our Lake Arrowhead rules, should be distributed. The Lake Arrowhead rules will help empower our lifeguards, as well as remind our residents of our regulations.

- Swim Lessons: Lyn Rand voiced her extreme disappointment in the Board regarding swim lessons. She has asked repeatedly that we provide this program to our children and repeatedly that has not happened. As it turned out, she has taken her kids to Cooks Pond where they were taught for \$20 for 6 weeks by one of the teenage residents of Lake Arrowhead. She wanted to know why we didn't ask this resident to provide the lessons here in our own neighborhood? Other residents in attendance questioned why swim lessons were the Board's responsibility? They felt it was the parent's job to teach their children how to swim.
- Swim Team: The discussion of a swim team evolved out of the swim lessons. Apparently in the past Estling and Arrowhead were once a swim team. Peter Nauta said that the Haverlys donated money in the past to start up a team, but at the time there wasn't enough interest. Those in attendance at the meeting felt that perhaps now we have enough children to field a team. Elizabeth Baresh, who has swam competitively for years, commented that we need several different age groups to field a team. Angie Haverly added by saying that there are so many other summer activities for the kids to be involved in that swimming isn't as important. Peter Nauta suggested that the parents work on some sort of program to get it going.

#### **Old Business:**

- Website: Elizabeth Baresh thanked Karen Scornavacca for helping Elizabeth and her husband, Michael, in the design of the Lake Arrowhead website. Lyn Rand asked when the site would be launched. At this point, the design team has not committed to a set launch date.

#### **New Business:**

- Electrical Panel at Butterfly Field: Bill Condon pointed out that we need to replace the electrical panel down at Butterfly Field. He envisions a weatherproof box set up and has volunteered to do the work. Once he gets more information about the cost of the project, he will forward it to the Board. Peter Rand thanked him for his initiative.
- Carpeting/Bar Floor: Sylvia Lacey noted that after the last rental, the rubber stripping is coming off of the carpeting by the hard flooring. She also suggested the new bar flooring be continued into the kitchen area. Mike Bertram responded by saying that they are considering remodeling the kitchen, so that is why they didn't re-floor the kitchen.
- Bulletin Board: Bill Condon wondered if we were going to erect a bulletin board in the near future.
- Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2001 at 8PM. During this meeting we will discuss our roles for the Beach Barbeque on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion**: by Peter Rand, second by Mike Bertram to adjourn the meeting at 9:51PM. 7 yes, 0 no; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Baresh  
Board Secretary