

## Camp Denison Committee

February 14, 2024

Meeting Minutes

Smokey's Den, Camp Denison

**Meeting Opened:** 6:31 pm

**Attendance:** (x indicates attendance)

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| x | Harry Nelson, Chair          | x | Sue Gardiner, Asst Clerk | x | <i>Non-Voting:</i>                |
| x | Chris Roop, Clerk            | x | George Langlais, Member  | x | <i>Don Anderson, Camp Manager</i> |
| x | Jim Lacey, Treasurer         |   | Jack LoCicero, Member    |   |                                   |
|   | Steve Pinto, Asst. Treasurer |   |                          |   |                                   |

Guest: Tom Shores

### Administrative Business

**Motion** by George: Approve January 9, 2024 Minutes as written. Seconded by Jim. Passed, 5-0.

### Discussion and Motions:

#### 1. Treasurer's Report

- Balance in Revolving Account is \$68,100
- Projected Income for second half of FY24 is \$13,750

**Motion** by Sue: Approve Treasurer's Report as written. Seconded by George. Passed, 5-0.

#### 2. New business

- Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 30. We discussed details of preparing for the event and volunteer activities on the day of the event.
- Donation request: Middleton PTO requested a donation for their silent auction fundraiser. Jim said that making a donation can be good marketing. If someone enjoys a stay here, they may spread the word that this is a great place for an overnight "staycation." Per our donation policy, we will donate a two-day, one-night stay in the Girl Scout Cabin, during the 2024 season. **Motion** by Sue: Donate a gift certificate for a two-day, one-night stay in the Girl Scout Cabin to the Topsfield PTO fundraiser. Seconded by George. Passed, 5-0.
- Abutting property: Mr. Tianqui Wang owns property abutting Camp Denison. National Grid and a neighbor have put up a locked chain across the road he had been using to access his property. Mr. Wang brought a complaint to us, but the road is not on town property so we have no say in the matter. Mr. Wang now parks at Camp Denison during open hours and walks to his property, which has resolved the situation.

#### 3. Old business

- Boat storage rental renewals: Notification has been sent to all 2023 renters. A number have already turned in their renewal applications with payment. Any renters who have not renewed by March 1 will be contacted again with a reminder.
- Family Day: Sat, Sept 14. Committee: Chris, Harry, Sue. Volunteers: Mike Shea, Jim.

- Open Items
  - i. Nomination of new Committee member: Waiting for vote from Conservation Commission.
  - ii. Renovation of Nature Center: On hold for now.
  - iii. Insulation, and Flooring:
    - One wall left to complete in Great Hall. Will be finished Tuesday, then staining is next step. Door to kitchen is being replaced and will be handicap-accessible.
    - We would like to purchase flooring for the Great Hall before prices go up. We won't be able to put it down until after summer (after end of rentals). Storage options were discussed.
  - iv. Pumping Station: On hold for now.
- 4. Camp Manager's Report
  - Working with Peter Goodwin to detour Yellow Trail behind cabin area, to provide privacy for renters when cabins are in use.
  - April 21 Spring Cleanup: Volunteers may include GYCC teens, Groveland Scout troop, Topsfield Scout troop, LARP group.
  - In back of horseshoe area, we need to clean up the junk and put up five sections of stockade fence to block the view of the trailer.  
**Motion** by Jim: Purchase fencing for this area, for a cost of no more than \$1,000. Seconded by Sue. Passed, 5-0.

**Adjournment**: Motion to adjourn by Jim, seconded by Sue. Passed, 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Scheduled Committee Meetings - 2024: 3/12, 4/9, 5/14, 6/11