



SIX PONDS

DRAFT Minutes of the
SIX PONDS 2014 Annual Meeting
August 23, 2014

The 2014 Annual Meeting was held at Camp Wind in the Pines, Plymouth.

I. Call To Order

- After a scrumptious potluck dinner, the meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.
- Introduction of new members:
 - Dorie Stolley and Eric Walberg arrived a few months ago and live on Morgan Road.
 - Kit Warren has been here a few years, but this is her first meeting. She invited all to her house for an after-party.

II. Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's Reports was given by Craig for Doug Post who was not in attendance.
- Current balance is \$6,521.00.

III. Minutes from the last annual meeting, August 24, 2013

- Approved, all in favor.

IV. Water Quality (Ed Russell)

- Monitoring is going on right now. The protocol is different than in years past.
- Starry Stonewort, an invasive algae that resembles a vascular, has taken over south part of pond.
- Halfway Pond was closed for a while due to high levels of cyanobacteria.

V. Traffic (Sam Chapin)

- A.D. Makepeace has proposed road improvements due to Red Brook neighborhood (formerly River Run). They've run through three iterations and Six Ponds has reviewed them. There is still a lot of work to be done to get plans approved. Six Ponds will continue to be involved.

VI. Open Discussion

- One resident spoke about Round Pond. Why is there more and more algae each year? Generally speaking ponds are getting worse as more nutrients from runoff and homes accumulate. Halfway Pond has road runoff, cranberry ponds, houses, etc., and the pond was closed due to cyanobacteria. Lots of algae come and go. Don't let your dogs drink from a blue-green looking pond. Some of the cyanobacteria is toxic.

- Liming Round Pond? Done to mitigate acid rain. Not done any more.
- Leighton Price has a water quality website and encourages people to submit observations.

<http://www.plymouthwaterquality.org/>

- Local cranberry bogs will be de-activated in 2016?

VII. Nomination Committee Report (Betsy Hall)

- Committee comprised of Betsy, Bob Saunders, Bill Abbott
- Nominees for Executive Board:
 - President: Craig Richards
 - Vice-President: Sam Chapin
 - Secretary: Love Albrecht Howard
 - Treasurer: Doug Post
- Nominees for Executive Committee (9):
 1. Rusty Briggs (Halfway)
 2. Lourdeen Casoni (Long Pond, Plymouth Estates)
 3. Nat Nichols (Long Pond)
 4. Lawrence Silverman (Round Pond)
 5. Charlotte Russell (Long Pond)
 6. Kit Warren (Long and Little Long Ponds)
 7. Meg Harding (Long and Gallows Ponds)
 8. Larry Rosenblum (Round Pond)
 9. Dorothy Davis (Bloody Pond)
- Vote taken. All accepted.
- Stepping Down: Les Plimpton, Roger Monks. (Many thanks to them)

VIII. Thanks to the Annual Meeting Planning Committee

- Aileen Briggs
- Lourdeen Casoni
- Caroline Chapin
- Charlotte Russell
- Kit Warren

IX. Six Ponds Song

- A rowdy rendition of the newly crafted Six Ponds Song was sung!

X. Adjournment

- Business meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted and with thanks to Dorie Stolley for taking minutes,

Love

Love Albrecht Howard
Secretary