

Meeting Minutes for September 1, 2012

Attendance: Carolyn Bird, Arthur Bradley, Marylou Bradley, Tom Colarusso, Joe Coletti, Eleanor Fieldhouse, Don Gallucci, Jennifer Gallucci, Sally Grant, Barbara Ham, Dave Ham, Patti Howard, Paul Howard, Jim Knox, Tom Lavoie, Sheila Malia, Betty McInerney, , Angela McLeod, Mike McLeod, Bob McLintock, Lynda Mitskewicz, Bridget Sarris, Brian Thomas

With Quorum met, Tom Colarusso called the AVIA September 1, 2012 meeting to order at 9:11 am.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the May 26, 2012 meeting, and the motion was passed.

Guest speaker Heather True from Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District addressed the members regarding the health of Moose Pond. Due to storm water run-off, there has been a gradual decline in the health of the lake. CCSWCD is working with the Moose Pond Association to keep pollutants out of the lake, and explained the matching grant program available to encourage land owners to comply with rehabilitation recommendations and efforts. In addition to the \$300 cash match from grant funds, free technical assistance is available.

The recent work on the culvert on Rt. 302, as well as the infiltration steps constructed at the small beach will be submitted by Paul Howard & Bridget Sarris for potential cash matching/reimbursement.

Patty Howard asked if more funds will be made available in the future, and Heather said it's a possibility, and will be reviewed and communicated back to AVIA.

Brian Thomas stated that the Moose Pond Association may clean out the culverts on Mountain Road in the future, as those are a major contributor to storm water run-off when blocked with debris. Shawnee Peak has been helpful and responsive to the effort to maintain Mountain Road as well.

Beach Committee Report: Paul Howard

Parking Lot

Paul reported that the beach parking lot held up well this summer, so the \$3000 appropriated in May for the rehabilitation of the lot was not used. Potential work on the lot will happen next Memorial Day, depending on its condition at that time. Paul and Joe Coletti are meeting with Colin Holme of the L.E.A. on September 7, 2012 to discuss erosion issues in the parking lot and the large and small beaches. They will be looking at every option to reclaim the sand and prevent further wash-outs in these areas. Colin will report back with his findings and suggestions.

Culvert

Paul reports that the recently installed culvert on Rt. 302 is working nicely. There is currently a drainage problem near the shed, and drainage ditches in the front and back of shed were discussed. Paul will get a quote to have these ditches installed.

Brian Thomas suggested that the dirt at the bottom of the filtration steps may need crushed stone, so Paul will address that as well.

Patty Howard suggested that AVIA incorporate maintenance costs into the Beach Committee Budget to address the upkeep of the ditches and culvert.

Per Bob McLintock, the town of Bridgton should be maintaining culverts with tax monies. In addition, Bob expressed concern about the condition of Alpine Road, which is currently in the stages of being paved. Brian Thomas volunteered to contact Bridgton Public Works for a projected completion date for the paving project.

Update: Per the Bridgton Public Works Director, the paving of Alpine Road will begin in September or October, the same time the finish layer is completed on Mountain Road.

Swim Float

There was an attempt by the members to repair the old swim float, but it failed. A new float (previously budgeted @ cost of \$1150) was purchased and launched. Tom Colarusso asked what the plans are for the previous float, and Paul suggested potentially repairing it and relaunching it at some point. Tom proposed the idea of creating a Pirate Ship float, which will be taken into consideration.

Boat Dock Committee Report: Mike McLeod

Docks will be removed from the water on October 9th, so please have your boat out of the water prior to that date. Some minor repairs have been made to the docks this summer, but overall, are in good shape. A quote is out for the resurfacing of dock #1; Mike will report back when the quote is received.

There is currently 1 boat slip available.

Maine Great Adventure sent a big thank you to Alpine Village for their participation and assistance this year.

Tom Colarusso thanked Mike and Paul for building steps at the boat docks.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Bird

Carolyn distributed and reviewed the proposed budget for 2013. She reported that our current checking account balance is \$27,560.67. The anticipated end-of-year cash available is \$23,048.23. Next year, more money will be going into the treasury from pre-payments by members. Projected income for 2013 is \$17, 025.00, and the projected expenses are \$12,335.00.

Members not in good standing were identified and discussed. Tom Colarusso proposed that an Ad Hoc committee be formed to investigate further, and attempt to return these owners to members in good standing. Joe Coletti will lead the committee.

Dave Hamm made a motion to approve the 2013 budget, Mike McLeod seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business

Joe Coletti has not yet contacted Central Maine Power regarding the removal of gravel on the McLintock/Gallucci properties. He will report back with any updates.

New Business

Tom Colarusso stated that 3 AVIA owners paid for deeded beach rights, but their deeds have not been amended to reflect this. Bridget Sarris will investigate and resolve this issue.

Tom Colarusso acknowledged the untimely passing of Gary McLintock, and the members took a moment of silence to remember him. Many members reflected on Gary's contributions to AVIA and Shawnee Peak. Gary will be missed, and condolences were extended to his family.

Arthur Bradley made a motion to make a donation in Gary's memory to the "Make a Wish Foundation". The motion carried.

Dave Ham extended an invitation to visit his home, which is currently for sale. He commended the many AVIA owners who maintain their property and help keep Alpine Village looking good. He expressed concern about properties that are falling into disrepair.

Arthur Bradley mentioned that there are non-AVIA owners with beach rights, who are willing to pay beach maintenance fees if a bill could be provided to them. Bob McLintock opposed sending bills out to non-AVIA owners, for fear that the beach would become over-crowded. No decisions were made on this issue.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gallucci

AVIA Secretary