**Present:** Mary Randall, Nancy Girling, Dan Gorke, Pete Pelone, Bob Hauersman, Micki Kuttler, Dee Foran, Matt Massiano, Tony Petrongolo, Doug Kaufman (7:41)

Dan called the meeting to order at 7:05pm and took a roll call. April minutes were approved via email vote.

**Presidents Report**

We will convert all the future meetings to zoom format.

*Feedback from State of the Lake Meeting:*

No negative comments have been heard and there was a great turn out for the zoom meeting. There was a suggestion to have future meetings at the schoolhouse – it may require a handicap ramp.

*Closing DEC Boat Ramp Overnight:*

Tony, called Region 5 DEC Chief of Fishery Management, Rob Fiorentino.

DEC runs all boat ramps and campgrounds inside the Adirondack Park. Lake George is closing Boat Launch gates overnight at Mossy Point and Rogers Rock and do we want to entertain this idea at Paradox Lake. Their stewards are paid for by a grant from DEC. They did a pilot program last fall and it was successful, so they have made it a permanent program this year. Lake Stewards are there from 7:30 am – 6:00 pm.

We would need data to argue a valid point to close the lake at night. The Strategic Management Study indicates that the aquatic invasives are already in the lake and not much is being brought in by boats. We need to ask our steward to check trailers each day for invasives and keep a log of how many trailers are in the parking lot each morning. The gap in the data is the stewards off hours, so we need to fill this gap so we can make an informed decision in the fall.

*Installing the damn insert:*

The lake water level is down and time to install the damn insert*.*  Doug was talking to Highway Superintendent, Dana Shaughnessy in the fall, but he hasn’t been at the lake much this summer. Micki has volunteered to get clarity and follow up on this to complete the project. The Town doesn’t have equipment so we may need to ask excavator, Larry Shield to help.

*Member Request:* Mary & Dan will respond to these questions as none of these issues are part of our charter.

* Road Maintenance on Fraternaland Road. Maintenance of a town road is not our responsibility.
* Use of Dock Bubblers – Member feels this is dangerous for pets & people traveling on snowmobile at night. We feel this is not an issue PLA should address. We do not have authority to enforce this.
* Stocking Brown Trout – why do we not stock brown trout as it was done in the past. Tony, brown trout do tolerate warmer waters and the DEC will be glad to stock all browns instead of rainbow trout. However, brown trout are raised at the Rome Hatchery and it is currently contaminated with zebra mussels. We should table this issue because of the zebra mussels.

*ALA Webinar – Climate Change*

Announcement - Webinar on June 17 @ 10:00am Speaker, Curt Stager. Topic is climate change in the Adirondacks and how it impacts the lakes. 30 minutes presentation.

**Secretary report** – Dee, nothing to report

**Treasurers Report** – Matt, emailed out financials YTD. No questions from board. ALA does not send an invoice – we should pay this online.

**Membership** – Dan, As of June 5 we have collected $13,300 membership dues. Total of 101 members. Reminding everyone to check with neighbors/friends to join. Letter will be mailed to potential and former members. He has had a few suggestions for membership incentive ideas for 2021. Donation in “memory of someone” will be added to our website.

**Finance** –Pete,nothing to report

**Long Term Planning** – Bob, has sent a copy of the presentation to APIP, AWI, ALA, ESSLA, S LA, Invasive Solutions, and will also post on our website.

**Lake Management** – Tony, will follow up with Suny Oneonta on our Lake Management Plan.

He continues to research aquatic herbicides for milfoil control. He had a conversation with Dave Labar from Minerva Lake. A new chemical, Procellacor is fast acting and dissipates quickly, no swimming or drinking restrictions. They treated about 70% of the lake, spending about $25,000. Tony will follow up in a few weeks. They had to do a plant survey prior to treatment.

**Invasive** - Nancy, Aqualogic came out last week and Emory was able to join them for a survey. They were on the upper and lower lake. Started harvesting Monday with 6 divers. We have had some new volunteers to help mark the area.

**Newsletter/Communications –** Micki, another newsletter will go out this week. Please forward any suggestions to Micki. Mary suggested having a paragraph “your contributions at work”, explaining how our money is being spent.

**Fundraising Committee** – Dee Dee, the committee has decided to have a Poker Run/Boat Parade on August 16. This will be combined with a PLA picnic at the campground afterwards. Details will be written up and distributed. Participants will pay entry fee on the website. There will also be a raffle and donated prizes.

Golf outing has been canceled.

**Grant Writing –** Mary, nothing new to report

**Old business** – Bob & Doug have a created a sign design for the boat ramp. They need to get agreement from the DEC at campground for us to install the sign, clean up area, and cut grass. He will send the design to us for review – metal flip up/down message for when the steward is on/off duty. It will be sturdy, permanent and easy to read.

**New business** – none

Nancy motioned to adjourn, Bob 2nd

Meeting adjourn at 8:36pm.