**Present:** Bob Hauersman, Micki Kuttler, Dee Foran, Dan Gorke, Matt Massiano, Nancy Girling, Tony Petrongolo, Jeanette Barth, Doug Kaufman, Scott Randall

Bob called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Micki motioned to approve the January minutes and Nancy 2nd. Minutes were approved.

**President Report from Dan**

Dan attended President’s meeting with SLA and ESSLA. They requested that we put a link to their websites on our website and vice versa. Roger Freedman will continue to work with the Lake Stewards for AWI.

**Treasurers Report** – Matt sent financial reports to board prior to the meeting.

**Finance –** Matt, Jennette and Doug will review budget and hope to have it complete for the next meeting.

**Membership** – Dan said he would re-fresh the Essex County tax records to search for new property owners and mail them membership information letters.

**Invasives** – Micki reported that no comments have been posted on the website regarding Dan’s email about PercellaCor. A few emails, but nothing significant. She reported that 188 people opened the letter - about 60%. It was decided that we would not have a special zoom meeting but rather cover questions at the State of the Lake meeting in May.

Bob & Matt met with Rick Gero and Meg Wood from the Town Board to discuss the Milfoil Strategy. It was suggested that the Chamber might be willing to work with us on a fundraiser or provide some new ideas. They suggested The Car Show as a possible fundraiser in the fall for both PLA and SLA. They were very engaged, and we hope to have a chance to speak to the entire board at a future meeting.

Bob distributed a spreadsheet of 2022 activities. We need to identify key areas where we want to concentrate on harvesting the milfoil. We need a detailed plan in each sector and a lot of volunteers again this year.

Lake Stewards – AWI job application is online. We are hoping to get adults rather than students because the kids go back to school mid-August, and this leaves us in a bind for the remainder of the season. Perhaps we can get volunteers or part-time lake stewards?

**Lake Management** – Tony cannot find another contractor in our area except Solitude Lake Management for the PercellaCor application. He is scheduling a call with Glen Sullivan and Dominick next week to get the ball rolling. We have received a few bids for plant surveys, but they are very different, so he wants to review to make sure we are comparing apples to apples.

The cost for spraying will be about $1,000 per acre. He estimates the job to be about $30-35,000. Board voted unanimously to proceed.

Tony sent the Lake Management Report via email to the board prior to the meeting. Dr. Stich wants to meet with the committee for any edits or comments. We need to determine how to measure our progress on harvesting invasives. Please review the report and give Tony any comments by early March.

**Newsletter/Communications -** Micki will put out a request for lake stewards, link our website to SLA & ESSLA websites.

**Fundraising Committee** - Dee reported that she had a committee meeting on 1/31. Eight volunteers attended. We plan to have a booth at the Schroon Craft Show, on-line Raffle, Calendar Sales, Picnic with a fun paddle race. There was a lot of enthusiasm from the group and other fundraising suggestions. The next meeting will be 2/28.

**Grants Committee** – Nothing to report, but it was suggested that we contact the Fish & Game Club for a grant since the invasives could impede fishing.

**New Business** - None

Micki motioned to adjourn and Nancy 2nd. The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Next Board zoom meeting is March 9 @ 7:00pm.