

**KEZAR LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING**

July 23, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

Horse Beach Grassy Area, North Sutton, NH

Welcome: Lynn Wittman, KLPA President welcomed member and guests, Mike McManus, Andrea LaMoreaux.

Review of 2021 minutes: Motion to approve, accepted without reading.

1. Mike McManus, Selectman, Town of Sutton: Mike gave a little history about Keysar Street and Penacook Road. Penacook is a two-rod road (33') and Keysar a three-rod road (49.5'). Clearly the road surface is much narrower at places. Penacook is not a town road, but the town has an easement and thus maintains it. Some people have been complaining about the ditches that were dug this year to prevent run-off and ice buildup. The road crew makes every effort to respect people's property, but it is their responsibility to keep the road safe for travel. Mike said if you have concerns, contact Adam Hurst, Road Agent and/or attend selectman meetings every Monday evening.
2. Andrea LeMoreaux, President, NH Lakes: She has a history with Kezar – one of her first jobs with NH DES was taking water samples with Steve and Leslie Enroth and she witnessed lake being brought back to good health. 957 lakes in NH and some are the cleanest and healthiest lakes in the US. Biggest threats are invasive species, cyanobacteria (on the rise in NH), roads, septic systems, stormwater run-off and climate change. Cyanobacteria can be very dangerous and can close down a lake. She thanked the Association for protecting Kezar and suggested that all local residents participate in the LakeSmart program which instructs lakefront and watershed residents on how to be more lake friendly. We can also expand the lake host program, start a Weedwatcher program and a watershed study.
3. Watershed Study, Lynn Wittman: Polly Crocker, who has experience in environmental studies of water, has volunteered to head up the study. It will be expensive, and we will apply for grants, but it is the next step for our organization to protect the lake.
4. Financial Report, Pat Tivnan: Net revenue for 2021 was \$7300. We've been making money, and even though our investments accounts lost in the market, we are in good shape. \$10K in donations so far this year.
5. Water Quality, Jonathan Brown: He began his report with a review of the Colby-Sawyer community project. Nick Baer and the students did a great job and JoAnn Sigua went to all the meetings. A follow-up study, taking core samples from the bottom is in the works. The complete report is on the KLPA website. He has taken samples 2x this year so far and the quality is about the same as last summer. KLPA purchased a conductivity meter this year to measure dissolved oxygen, which Jon will use to monitor the lakes and brooks. Currently, the conductivity is higher than it should be. The State will be coming to do more elaborate testing. Lyon Brook has high chloride levels – possibly due

to New London salt barn located adjacent to brook. Plant life – the Elodia so far this year is not as bad as the past 2 years. Watershed study will help us know where problems are. JoAnn Sigua is concerned about low level of lake. No one has operated the dam for the past 3 years and water level in her area is extremely low. Jon suggested she contact the state agency in charge of dams.

6. Swim Lessons, Lisa Lopez: We should be proud of our swim lesson program – a high impact, low expense program in partnership with the Concord YMCA. Swimming is a life skill that all children should be taught. An anonymous donor put up scholarship money so that no child is denied. There are 41 students registered this year. Very successful.
7. Nominating Committee, John Herbert and Jenny Menning: The committee thanked Steve Enroth for his most recent board position and said that even though Steve is retiring from the board, he will still help out with membership and outreach. Lynn presented Steve with a KLPA cap for his service. Michelle Ritz will leave her position of secretary, to be replaced by JoAnn Sigua and Pat Tivnan will serve one more year as treasurer. The board for 2022-2023:
 - Lynn Wittman, President
 - Pat Tivnan, Treasurer
 - JoAnn Sigua, Secretary
 - Denis Swords, Director
 - Sondra Brake, Director,
 - Jonathan Brown, Director
8. New Business, Lynn Wittman: Second annual picnic and silent auction will be August 13th, Wadleigh State Park. Donations for the silent auction are needed. More info to follow in newsletters. Due to increased concern about boat speed, Lynn will form a committee to address the issue. We must find a balance of safety, wildlife preservation and recreation.
9. Loon Report, Sue Esposito: Of the 2 chicks that were hatched, only 1 has survived. The weaker chick, perhaps neglected by the parents, was found on the road, taken to the Loon Preservation Society, and although seemed to be doing well, did not survive. Parents and one chick seem to be doing very well.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Ritz