

7:40 Pres. Bill Ashman called the meeting to order. Minutes from the opening meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Al Wilmarth distributed a current financial statement ; she reviewed this briefly, explaining expenses and excess income. The Association has over \$37,000 presently. Steve Schneider motioned to accept the report- Gunther Ottens seconded.

ACTIVITIES- Flora Rosefsky began by thanking the Scott family for their gracious help and availability of sites for our activities. She reviewed the successful opening party at Roma's, and said to plan for the first Sat. night after July 4th weekend for future opening parties. Flora thanked Judy Hughes for chairing the field day events and noted that we had a large number of children this year. Flora next thanked Brenda Levy for chairing the family picnic. Brenda thanked all who helped her and stated 195 attended.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE- Carole Peduto thanked board members whose terms expired: Gunther Ottens, Jim Shreve, Carole Peduto, Kathy Greenman. The following were nominated and accepted: Al Dunlavy, Gunther Ottens, Ann Quinn, Kathy Greenman.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE- Al Wilmarth reported there are 85 paid up members and 6 associates. She announced that new topographic maps and an up to date list of cottage owners were available for those who wanted them.

BOATING AND WATER SAFETY- Mort Levy displayed a red and white scuba diver's flag for future identification. This may appear on a boat or inner tube signaling a diver below. Mort stated that 6 participated in the boating Safety Course this year, but he expects many more to need this safety course in the future. Steve Schneider mentioned reckless boating activities by small aluminum boats, and Pres. Ashman reminded all that these boats are controlled by the same rules of larger boats.

Barbara Ashman gave members 5by8 Emergency phone number cards. These should be posted in all cottages. Safety suggestion- attach buoyant rings near dock area for emergency swimming problems. Perhaps the Association could purchase a large number of these to be sold in turn to members to encourage this. Barbara also said that a one day CPR course will be offered next July. There is a \$10 charge to cover the book.

OLD BUSINESS- Zoning: Bill Ashman reported that Bill Maines and Ross Peduto have been meeting with town officials during the past year. The planning board has been active; we have a lawyer experienced in zoning involved.

NEW BUSINESS- Dick Ulmer suggested stocking the lake again;

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Mr. Dunlavy reported on this issue. He mentioned his son caught a 17lb. trout! According to Bob Hanson, these steps should be followed:

1. Obtain a general permit
2. Fill forms for fish purchase
3. Stock 8-9 in fish in fall of year

Volunteers are needed to unload fish from trucks into the lake. Donations could be used to stock other than the minimum. ( Mr. Dunlavy moved the Oquaga Lake Improvement Association set aside a sum of \$750 each year for fish restocking) Dick Ulmer amended that we stock this fall-89 and that the Board appropriate the necessary amount each year. Ed Wilmarth amended that we consult the DEC for advice. He mentioned \$1300 was the cost for 1,000 brown trout three years ago. Ginger MacInnes seconded the motion- it passed unanimously.

Bill Ashman recommended changing the By-laws, section 3 of Active Membership. This would enable an adult owner's child to vote. Brenda Levy made a motion to accept this change; Louise Fenning seconded. The motion passed.

Dr. Fenning discussed how the lake is being fished by many outsiders; a commercial venture was advertised in a downtown store.

Doris Scott asked boaters to enter their ramp by the drive past the casino, and exit by the farmhouse. We will repeat these directions in a newsletter. She also said to notify her of renters names and boat info. to help exclude outsiders from using the ramp and fishing.

Regarding sewer district concerns, contact Bob Mills ..

Carole Peduto reported lake water testing is still taking place, but the DEC is late on reporting results- it continues to look clear. The foam seen on the lake several times will be tested to see if it naturally occurring. The phosphorous level is low.

Steve Schneider questioned the Board about the Gate repair - this is planned to take place next year when the water level is down. One pipe appears bent, but the water flow is fine. Ed Wilmarth said the needs are: a new gate, including an overflow, fencing in of drain area for safety; he guesses it will cost about \$10,000.

ADJOURNMENT- Steve Schneider motioned adjournment at 9:15. Barb Ashman seconded.