

# OLPA Meeting

## September 25,2019

15 in attendance, including legislative candidate Susan Scheuerman

Opening -Tim

- Asked for any recommendations from members for new projects

Treasurer's Report -Peter

- Full 3rd quarter report distributed. Highlighted a decrease in donations in response to donation letter this year compared to last. Increased return from the Watershed Shuffle.
- Questions from the room:  
What are the scholarships listed as line 65210?  
A: 3 Scholarships to local high schools
- Do we need 3 restrooms for Watershed Shuffle— price increased from last year.  
A: No, probably decrease to 2 next year given increase.
- Explanation of line 49020 Petty Cash deposit
- It appears we lose about \$1000 on Dumpster Day—  
A: Always considered it a public service. Pricing has increased in recent years.
- Explanation of line 51050 Grant Management  
A: Payment to Jennifer for Grant management
- Net Income listed as -3,590.21.  
A: The grant still owes us \$13,000 which will appear in the end of year report.

Board News -Tim

- Lynn Smith rotating off, still intends to volunteer
- Jill Ryan leaving— was in charge of social media. Need someone with these skills.
- Peter Jordan leaving sooner than expected. Jeff Green is willing to help accounting, has been asked to consider treasurer's position.
- Kate Walsh new secretary.

Matting Program. -Tim/Nathan

- Harvesting stalled because of weather and lack of qualified help.

- Some of the mats are falling apart— they were generated in 2011.
- Nathan doesn't use OLPA mats in Narrows. Need heavier mat in mucky area. Nathan to keep us posted.
- Song/Tully/Little York lake associations expressed interest to Nathan in teaming up with Otisco on some things

#### Grant Updates

-Jennifer

- Weed report from ESF due this week
- Nathan hasn't been able to do Milfoil suction due to high water and lack of help. Funds will go toward next year.
- Also, steward grant money wasn't used and will go toward costs next year with boat launch.
- Webinar about shoreline management October 18@ 2:00. Lew McCaffrey has information.
- Water Chestnut Pull showed plant decrease, but still a problem.
- Three HABs reported, two appeared "atypical".
- Warning about salesmen selling bogus systems to "prevent" HABs.
- County money available for septic system upgrades. Not income based.

#### Watershed Shuffle.

-Margie

- John Capozzi taking over next year
- Thank you to all participants

#### Projects.

- Tim/all

- 9 Element Plan- Bill Ayling working on it. Will discuss costs with board
- OCWA work— will be cutting trees on NW side for aqua pumping, renewal rather than new construction.
- Wash station - Jim Walsh working plan. Some thought about
  - foreclosed property at NE end of lake, but zoning won't allow building
  - permanent structure. Jim and Mike Plochocki are talking with Marcellus about exceptions. Also talking with OCWA.
  - DEC not putting in boat wash at new launch but will pay for wash on lake. Cost estimates \$25-35,000. Clean/Drain/Dry signs new this April
  - Looking for best locations. It's got to be convenient to keep it voluntary.
- Website/FaceBook - Linda Kelly has stepped up. Any ideas, send to Tim through the OLPA website.

- Scholarships - thank you notes from all recipients
- Henderson Property - nothing new. Looking at soliciting corporations.

Concerns/Questions.

-All

- Possible to assess tax on 5 towns to protect water? “Special use district”?
- Grass Carp to tackle weeds? (Nathan said they grow to 5-6 Ft long!)
- Song lake tried it, got rid of weeds, but invasives took over.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Walsh, Secretary