

Minutes of the Swan Lake Association June 13, 2016 Meeting

The Swan Lake Association met at the Nickerson School in Swanville for its first meeting of the 2016 season. There were 25 in attendance. After a potluck dinner, President Marty Stout called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Due to the low lake level, the dam owner Nick Brower was to address this meeting, but was unable to be here because of a conflicting meeting. He has promised to respond to lakefront property owners' concerns. Dam gates had been left open inadvertently while dam owners were out at sea, causing our current very low water. Better supervision in their absences has been promised. They want to draw the lake down further in August for dam repair work; this would severely impact boat owners and rental property owners. Marty will forward all emails/responses to these issues to them and encouraged members to contact dam owners directly also.

Marty asked all present to update email addresses and phone numbers with him.

Lake Association Officers will be elected at the July meeting. Anyone interested in serving should contact Marty as soon as possible.

Treasurer Bill Baxter reported that funding from the Maine Lakes Association has been reduced, so donations to the CBI fund are more important than ever. He requested prompt payment of 2016 dues and donations no later than the July meeting. He has posted SLA financials on the SLA website: we are in reasonably good shape, but insurance premiums are due. Bill and Marty plan to review all these policies with an eye to reducing premiums where possible. Receipts to date: \$1,685.06; expenditures to date: \$1,565.00

Ann Hooper and Peggy Stout announced the following fundraisers: Yard/plant/bake sale on 6/25, from 9 – 12 A.M. at the Swan Lake Grocery parking lot (helpers needed to set up and sell); a “thermometer” to be posted at the Swan Lake Grocery encouraging donations, with a \$2000 goal; a Garden/Camp Pontoon Boat Tour on 7/30, ending at Sharon & Dales's with an English Tea (need 6 new sites, pontoon boats/drivers/hosts, and a committee of 2 or 3). Marty will publicize on Bangor TV and in local newspapers. Ann will make copies of our summer schedule and strongly encouraged us all to pass them out.

Marty introduced our evening speakers, Laura Lecker and Kim Sanderson from Avian Haven. Via a slide show, they introduced us to the Wild Bird Rehabilitation Center, which works with injured birds and reptiles. The nature and scope of their work does not allow them to be open to the public, but they are eager to respond to requests for help as they are able.

Marty adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Kerrigan, Secretary