

OLPA Board Meeting

June 6, 2023

Open meeting, in person and ZOOM

Opening. -Tim

Treasurer's Report. -Tim

Bank account balance as of 5/31/2023: \$114,986.34 which includes

Shuffle receipts

Pay Pal: \$1,082

Weed Control. - Tim/Jon

- Weeds bad this year due to lack of rain. OCWA has changed its rules regarding insurance for our harvester so they will not be harvesting on our lake this year.
- Just to clarify, the increased dead pan fish we are seeing is not due to the harvester, but is a natural occurrence during spawning.
- OCWA is hanging notices on doors listing options to lawn fertilizer. Encourage 0% phosphate.
- There is money available for lawn to meadow transformation.
- Question from audience about farm run off. Marion suggested contacting Soil & Water.
- Jon gave overview of what his committee of 7 is doing to research our options for weed control, needs larger pool of members.
- Looking into **short** term (suctioning, matting) and **long** term (herbicides) solutions. Control may involve all three, though oversight agencies are resistant to herbicides because we are a major drinking water source— talks continue.
- Plan to set up meetings in the lakeside neighborhoods with the goals to:
 1. Educate
 2. Grow membership in OLPA
 3. Get majority on board with a planWe want to be an active presence on the lake
- The wash station at the public launch is getting a lot of use

Lake Friendly Living. -Margie

- Team members worked to identify Woolly Adelgid on hemlocks on Burma Rd. Funding from Soil & Water to pay for applying a preventative
- DEC gives grants of \$25-50,000 to treat the problem. New areas being identified.

Dumpster Day. -Tim

- June 17
- \$50 charged for air conditioners, refrigerators, puff furniture
- No hazardous waste, tires or electronics
- Donations gratefully accepted.

Annual Meeting. -Tim

- July 6th 6:30pm @ Marietta House
- Rich Thomas to talk on conservation
- Theresa Links - Woolly Adelgid
- Jon Bristol - history of the weed problem and where we're headed
- OCWA, our legislators, Soil & Water, and our speakers will be there for the Q&A

Watershed Shuffle. -Mike Bome

- 14th annual July 15 at 9:00am
- The sponsorship committee of Mary Brown and Bob Ciotta have raised \$11,000, surpassing their goal.
- Need to encourage race signup.
- Day of the race volunteers, please call Mike Bome or email

Scholarships. -Tim

- \$400 given to eligible seniors in Tully, Marcellus and OCS High schools
- This year's winners: Amberle Brown - Tully
Evelyn Loan - OCS
Kieran Capozzi - Marcellus

Projects and Planning. -Tim

- Stewards will continue to educate boaters in the use of the wash station
- Finger Lakes Institute to schedule a talk for the public on waterless station, which was financed, installed and winterized by the DEC.
- Conservation - Rich Thomas has been leading the maintenance of the 350 trees planted on the Henderson Property. He may be scheduling a cleanup day requiring volunteers.
- There is an opening on the board. Speak to Tim if interested in joining.

Respectfully submitted
Kate Walsh, secretary