## Sunray Shores Association Meeting May 24th

The meeting was called to order at 9:13am

David Reinaurer thanked Mallard's Landing for letting us use their clubhouse to meet in, a donation of \$50 will be made for the use of it.

**New Members:** none present

Minutes from 2013 meeting were read by Janice Beauchemin. A motion was made to accept them which was 2<sup>nd</sup> and voted all in favor, so passed. The Minutes were accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Net balance of \$2,793.10 at this time. Last year we had 22 docks paid, 1 unpaid and 79 dues paid, 2 unpaid.

Dock Account: 2013 had \$1225 collected. Spent \$1,068.90 on repairs. Balance brought forward \$156.10.

Lakes Region is coming next week to straighten the docks. Ed will be getting boards & replacing them as needed in the docks starting next week. Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed to accept the treasurer's report.

## **Old Business:**

- 1. State treated the milfoil last year, there is a coalition trying to lobby the state to treat it at their expense. Everyone has the same problems and no one can get rid of it, just treat it and keep it at bay every few years.
- 2. Water District-Rod Glass said he isn't really supposed to talk too much about the water district since they have a separate Water Meeting and people can attend that if interested. He did report that all but 4 of the lights on the streets in our neighborhoods were eliminated which brought their electric bill for lights down to \$1,200. The water district had a \$9,000 repair recently and dues have been raised to \$250. 4 Beavers and 1 otter have been removed from the ponds.

There followed a discussion on the lights. Concern that the lights are on our property and the water district made the decision that affected us and no one had a say, with vandalism, murder right here on Sunset why aren't we involved in the process and how can we get the lights back? Rod said only way to do it is to force the issue. There was no charge to take them down, there will be a rental charge to put them back up. Mike O'Brien lives in Nashua and the taxes pay for the street lights. Why aren't we getting our fair share of the tax \$ here and getting our lights paid for? Art Berlin said as far as the town is concerned when new development comes they vote as a warrant & can vote it down. Mike said if this many people go to a town meeting and all speak up we might get some response. Janice Beauchemin proposed we have a Street Light Committee to look into it further. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Passed. Mike O'Brien, Rod Glass, Leo Toomey volunteered to be on it. Rod said one alternative is to put your motion lights on your home, may be cheaper. We used to have 14 lights and now it is 4 and costs \$1,200. Question is we going to split that? We only have \$2,700 in reserves so maybe just

have the water district pay it and raise its bill if they need to. Rod said they can cover the costs unless they have a lot of breaks. There was a motion to leave the light costs with the water district for now, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

3. Beach- Ed pruned on the beach

## **New Business:**

- 1. Replacing the lock and keys on the boat launch. Kevin Hampton got an estimate of \$800 to do it. Said they are special keys that can't be copies- We would turn in our old keys and no one would get a new key without paying their dues. That's a lot of money for keys. Do we have an issue with the wrong people having our keys right now. Not that anyone was really aware of. There was a motion to table the key issue, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.
- 2. Beach- we need new rope which will cost \$225 for rope and new buoys \$175. David Reinauer made a motion that we purchase them, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed. Gerry Dumoulin asked about a provision being made to rope off an area for kayaks. David explained that the beach used to go over to the edge of the grass but stuff has grown in over the years. We couldn't get the permit last year to clear it out but if you happen to get some weeds caught up on your shoes no problem. Legally we can't just go in there and pull everything out but whatever happens on its own would be great. But you can pull the kayaks up on the right side of the beach across the weeds. Might have some midnight weed brigades
- 3. . Janice Beauchemin told about a weeds seminar that she and Ed Stephenson went to. There is only one paid employee for the aquatic group in NH-Amy Smagula. She is the one who gives out the matching money for milfoil. There is another bad week that is a purple plant you see in your yard, it's invasive. David Reinauer said that the money for that comes from the boat registration and it was just voted to add \$2 extra to go to the milfoil subsidizing, just waiting for the governor to sign it. Last year we spent about \$5,000 to treat it and then follow up testing cost another \$1,400 but to wanted \$4,500. Question was asked what the follow up tests were for. David explained it was to make sure all the chemicals were gone. It has always been a part of the contract but it just hasn't cost us like it did this past year. The question is do we wait until 3 years again to treat or try to do it next year at 2 years to get ahead of it. Janice Beauchemin said Laconia gave \$ for some lakes to be treated. Art Berlin said that Silver Lake had gotten money from Belmont to treat but it has to be a warrant article to be voted on. David Reinauer wants to stay on the committee and keep looking into it. Question of did we have a standard 3 year treatment cycle plan? No. Maybe we should go to 2 years? David would like to purse a grant in the fall if we have \$ in the budget- we could have a special meeting to vote. Gerry Dumoulin and Levent Duymazlar will be on the committee with David. Art Berlin said your competing with Winnipesaukee, Squab Lake for funds. We can't afford it without support. David said he would try and talk to Belmont. There was a motion Vinney Ferrara to treat every 3 years at a minimum. Is it cheaper to do every 2 yrs because there is less of it? No, it is done by acreage so probably not. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed. Art Berlin motioned set aside \$2,000 a year to go towards milfoil, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

- 4. Footbridge-It will cost about \$500 to scrap and paint both of the footbridges a motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.
- 5. Leo Toomey cleaned up by the marina all the cans etc. There is a pile of stones and he would like to bring his equipment in and spread the stones on the path. Also wants to trim the trees back in there. There is a cluster of 3 birches and one is almost laying down over the water. You can't cut a tree down close to the water but you can prune them back. What do we do about people throwing things into the canal? Besides telling them to stop? Not sure.
- 6. Need new signs- Private Launch & Slow No Wake
- 7. Charlene Reinauer discussed putting in the natural gas lines. Have been in contact with Liberty Utilities and basically they said to find out how much interest there was and let them know and then they can do a cost analysis to see if it would be cost prohibitive. Basically they would see how many families would hook up and take their usage for the next 8 yrs. They would subtract the cost of laying all the lines and hooking up from that and that would be the hook up charge for each house. So the more people who did it the less it would cost. So if you think you would be interested in doing it if the cost were right sign the list on the table and then Ed and I can also canvas the rest of Sunset that isn't in the association to find out how many of those folks not in the association would be interested and then I'll get back to the gas company. Ed said he contacted Gilford Water and they'll have to do the dig safe and it will cost a little more to repairs. Question —is it anywhere on the other side to come in from, like Union Rd.? I don't know. We don't need a motion right now we just need the number of people interested to get them to take note. It would also be beneficial for resale.
- 8. Vinney Ferrerra said that as you come into the canal the red marker is cut in half. Who do we talk to about fixing it. Ask the Marine Patrol, call them.
- 9. Question- The dock fees haven't been kept separate, how long has this been going on? Maybe 5 year. Nancy Durgin used to be the treasurer before Gary and did the books on Quick Books. So did Gary but when he passed I got the disk for the files but didn't have the program to view them. She has the program so if she can have the disk she will volunteer to go back over the years and look at all of the budgets and separate the dock \$ into a separate file. Great, Ed can get you the disk.

**Elections:** David Reinauer and our Secretary will need to be replaced. Nominations were made for the following offices.

President-Lynn Lowd

Vice President-Janice Beauchemin

**Treasure-Ed Stevenson** 

Secretary-Diana Ferrara

The officers were approved.

Meeting closed 10:30.