

LIPPC Minutes of 1 October 2009

Members attending: Gerry Nelson, Dean Stearns, Bob Steller, Lou Olmsted, Gene Spender, Bob Drew, Peter Koop, Herb Adams, Mary Adams & Katrina Soucy

Cushman Pond Dam - A discussion regarding the Cushman Pond Dam raised a number of problems that have arisen. Unable to keep trash racks & screens from clogging, racks are too heavy and cannot be cleared, water is bypassing due to loose fit of racks.

Bob Drew and Gene indicated it was anticipated that fine mesh screening would be required in front of the dam to insure milfoil fragments were caught.

Gerry feels it is a design problem which should be resolved by a professional dam engineer. Bob Drew said they will have the engineer back to discuss the problems and invited Gerry to attend the meeting.

It was agreed some sort of temporary screening must be done pending corrections to the dam.

LIPPC Committee re-organization - Gerry presented a draft write up of proposed organization change to incorporate the Cushman Pond Program in the LIPPC. A rough organization chart was presented.

Voluntary Inspection Boxes - Bob Steller reported on status of the Voluntary Inspection Boxes and expects to have cost estimate by the next meeting.

CBI Program - Katrina reported 700 inspections were done this season. We have a need to increase the number of volunteer inspectors. Report of milfoil found on a boat this season is expected to raise awareness of lake residents.

Katrina reported problems with inspecting boats entered in tournaments due to early morning darkness and lack of lighting. The question will be raised as to the possibility of installing a light at the ramp to facilitate inspection. Also a question of the possibility of requiring cleaning of electric motors before launching.

Generally agreed it would be desirable to have a Warden on hand at tournament launches as CBI inspectors have no enforcement authority.

Cushman Pond – Gerry reported a large milfoil plant was found by divers in September and that a large fragment was found in the vicinity of the dam.

Library Meeting – In an effort to reignite awareness of the threat of invasive plants, a meeting, as a part of the library series, will feature Scott Williams and possibly another speaker discussing IAP Screening Survey. We should make every effort to publicize this and to maximize turnout.

Lou Olmsted
Secretary

