

Indian Lake Association ADK, Inc.
Annual Meeting and Picnic
August 11, 2018

President Paul Coppock calls the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Welcome to our 40th annual meeting. He thanked Timberlock for again supplying the grills and burgers and hot dogs served tonight. Joe Hancock and Pete Sinski were thanked for doing the grill work.

Board members present are Paul Coppock, Pete Sinski, Carmen Adler, Rich Vincelette, Gail O'Brien, and Marsha King Purdue. We have a quorum with members attending the picnic and 24 Proxy votes. Paul continued the meeting following the agenda available at the meeting.

Approve Minutes of Annual Meeting, August 5, 2017

Minutes have been available on the ILA web site. Paul asked if anyone objected to his not reading the minutes. He asked if any corrections were noted. None were noted and a motion was made to accept minutes as written seconded by Jon Voorhees. All voted in favor.

Election of Directors:

Maggie Evatt and Autumn Blanchard are nominated for a second term. Jon Voorhees is nominated for a 1st term. Jon has served on the board in the past. He is owner and manager of Camp Driftwood. Paul asked the members if there were any other nominations. None were noted. He then asked for discussion on the nominations. None were given. He asked for a motion to elected the given slate of nominees. Jim Moore made the motion to vote on nominees and Ellen Sinski seconded. All voted in favor. Tomorrow at the board meeting, we will be voting to elect new officers. Rich Vincelette and Paul will have completed their terms and will be rotate off the board leaving the presidency and treasurer positions open. We thank them for their volunteer service to Indian Lake Association ADK, Inc. The change to cooperation was under the guidance of Paul and the organization is fuller and stronger as a result of his leadership. Rich maintained our financial records, post office connections, and membership information. He also is facilitating the transition to the new treasurer. The members of Indian Lake Association ADK, Inc. are grateful for there time and expertise. We are pleased to announce that the board plans to elect the following slate:

Maggie Evatt, President
Gail O'Brien, Treasurer
Marsha King Purdue, Vice President
Carmen Adler, Secretary

Anyone interested in serving on the board may contact a member for more information.

Financial Report: Rich Vincelette presented the report.

Membership Report: We now have 106 current members.

Newsletter: We hope you all received your newsletter. Paul said we printed 175 newsletters (\$178). Special thanks to the team of contributors Jon Voorhees, Gail O'Brien, Joe Hancock, and also Bruce Catlin for doing the compiling, layout, the water level graph, printing, and distribution. Reminder to look at address labels each year for membership expiration. Any comments or suggestions?

Boater's Guide: Paul reported that 500 (\$82) boater's guides were printed and distributed to:

- DEC boat launch office
- Indian Lake Marina
- Pines
- Chamber of Commerce

Indian Lake Association/ Dick Merrill Scholarship: Paul reported that our scholarship was named for Dick Merrill, a long time board member, educator, and lake advocate. It is awarded to graduates of Indian Lake High School who have exemplified good stewardship of the land and the environment. The 2018 award of \$300 was to Sydney Benton, an honor student and athlete who graduated in June. Sydney is a summertime lifeguard at the Town beach. She plans to attend SUNY Plattsburgh studying Human Development and Family Relations.

Water Quality Report: Joe Hancock reported water samples have been taken from the lake for 15 years and for the last 9 years our organization has taken the samples. He and Russ Evatt took water samples three times this year. The water is frozen and sent to Paul Smith's for water analysis. The water quality is consistent. We benefit from not having the affects of farming near the lake and a high flush rate. Road salt was detected but again we benefit from a high flush rate. The pH average is 6.8 which is near neural which is 7. The algae reading was ok. The full report is available in our newsletter which can be found on our website www.ilaadk.org

Lake Level: Paul presented the report. Lake levels are controlled by Hudson River Black River Regulating District (HRBRRD). They are mandated to operate reservoirs in Hudson and Black River watersheds to regulate the flow for public welfare:

Priorities:

1. safety in the form of flood control
2. flow augmentation for water treatment facilities and hydroelectric production.
3. recreation.

This is the 3rd season the regulating district revised targets that the ILA proposed. The purpose of the new target levels are:

1. Draw down water to reveal more beach in June and July (1 foot lower July 1)
2. Slowing the draw down to maintain and extend the late season boating season. (1 foot higher 9/1).

Last year the levels during the prime season were close to target levels. So far this year, the lake has been close to target again:

May 1, 2018 -18" (due to dry April)

June 1 -6”
July 1 on target
August 1 +2
August 10 on target

The discharge rate at the dam has been a very low 110 to 130 cf/s since July 1 with a one day spike on July 29 to 570 cf/s.

Two unusual events this year:

Jan. 13- Held back heavy rain and snow melt raised IL 2.5' in 2 days

July 29- Release for Governor's Adirondack Challenge lowered IL 1”

For more information on lake levels and release rate statistics please check the HRBRRD website: <http://www.hrbrrd.com>

HRBRRD is conducting an engineering review of the dam. Might make some repairs and enhancements. No work is likely until at least next year.

Website: David Adler upgraded our website to the Word Press platform. This is a more attractive and manageable system. Check it out.

Invasive Species: Last summer our volunteers did an annual survey. Survey volunteers included: Gail O'Brien, Pete and Ellen Sinski, Ellie Menz, and Paul Coppock. We found no invasives. Search from the shore to depth of 12 feet. We looked for eurasian milfoil, water chestnut, variable leaf milfoil, curly leaf pond weed, and hydrilla. The only known invasive in Indian Lake is the spiny waterflea discovered two years ago. It is a ½ inch crustacean with a barbed tail. It is a food chain interrupter. Our volunteers will conduct a survey of the shoreline waters again this summer. We are spread thin, we can use more volunteers to do the search. Training is done by APIP in June and July. Gail O'Brien says check the website at <http://www.adkinvasives.com>. Please help. Scott Chase asked about salt contamination in private wells. Many people have problems and a law suit is in action. Paul Smith's will test the water in wells and compare the results with others. Testers are on line for \$20. State standards are greater County requirements. along shoreline.

Last summer the state funded boat stewards at the IL DEC ramp. The boaters did not seem to mind the checking. The stewards inspected nearly 2,500 boats for invasive plants and animals. Of those inspections, 6.5% failed and had to be cleaned of vegetation and aquatic animals before launch. This summer the state is again funding stewards at DEC ramp and Lewey Lake. Also, funding a new on site boat wash station. That has been delayed and they are trying to have it operating before the season end. Boats and trailers are arriving cleaner this year. The education program appears to be reaching more boaters. CLEAN IT, DRAIN IT, DRY IT.

Guest Speaker: Brian Wells, Town of Indian Lake Supervisor

Many of you know our speaker, Brian Wells, Town supervisor. Brian gets involved in virtually all aspects of Town issues. We are pleased that he is here this evening to discuss a subject that is increasingly in the local news, the development and revitalization of the town. It's an issue that clearly interests our members. An important part of the lake experience is access to an attractive, vibrant community for dining, entertainment, shopping and services. Thank you Brian for joining us tonight to discuss the subject.

Brian's talk was very informative and he has written many grants to improve our community. We were asked to do our part by sharing our skill set on a volunteer basis to activate our community. The full time residents care about the direction the community is going in. Brian is open to suggestions and help.

Other Business: Paul asked about other business concerns. None were offered. Motion to adjourn was made and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carmen Adler, Secretary to ILA.