

Narrows Pond Improvement Assn.

1/21/26 Meeting Minutes

Present: Dan Walters, Mike Sienko, Scott Knox, Patti Warren, Mary Richards, Kevin Moriarty, Sheri Stevens

Dan called the meeting to order. Scott made a motion to accept the previous meeting's minutes; Mike seconded.

VOTE- Unanimous

Dan reminded the Board that NPIA and Friends of Cobbossee Watershed would be asking the Town of Winthrop to contribute \$750 towards the costs associated with the upcoming invasive species survey work that the Friends of Cobbossee Watershed and DEP will be conducting next summer. To show our support for this important work Board members are encouraged to attend the Town meeting where this will be discussed and to encourage neighbors to also attend. It will be important to have the Town provide the requested financial support, which will hopefully be supplemented by State funding.

The Board continued the By-Law review. We have obtained copies of By-Laws from several other lake associations in the Watershed. They will help serve as a basis for the NPIA By-Law updates. Sheri volunteered to synthesize the other lake associations' By-Laws to create a new set of By-Laws for NPIA. The Board will need to decide who gets to vote, annual membership fee rates, and if we want to incorporate an indemnification clause for the Board. Other items may also need to be addressed. It was agreed that NPIA would have a 9-member Board with equal representation from Lower and Upper Narrows Ponds. The Winthrop Water District Manager will also be a member since the District owns a large parcel of land on Upper Narrows which serves as the Town's water supply.

The Board created a calendar of events and activities that must be planned and organized:

April – Draft and send letter to all NPIA property owners and other interested parties about the following: election of officers, membership dues, information about the proposed changes to the By-Laws, request email addresses for future correspondence

May 1 – President appoints a Nominating Committee for Board members and Officers. By June 21 – Nominations are forwarded to the Board

By July 10 – Notify NPIA members and others about the date, agenda, time and location of the Annual Meeting

First Sunday in August- Hold Annual Meeting/need to find a location. Build some time on Agenda for socializing and getting to know fellow NPIA members since it's been several years (decades?) since the organization has met. (Mary offered to reach out to Mechuwanna to see if they could accommodate the NPIA)

Dan agreed to send the Board the letter to review that was sent out in 2025 inviting folks to attend a zoom meeting.

The next meeting of the NPIA Board is 3/3/26 at 5 PM at Dan's house.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Stevens