

**VELA Board Meeting
May 23, 2013
7PM Statewide Real Estate Office
Minutes**

Attendees: Ron Mathison, Larry Evans, Carole & Joe Plunkey, Paul Rekowski, Dan Stock, Paul Merdzinski, Leonard Brockhan Absent: Tom James, Janice Wilber, Greg Cole

Meeting called to order by President, Ron 7:01PM

Minutes of August 2, 2012 BOD meeting read without correction and placed on file.

Membership Report from Shirely Brockhan: Total Members – 285 (out of 704), 50 have not renewed yet, 11 new members. Mailing of invoices a second time resulted in 24 renewals. Cost of second mailings - \$250 offset by \$480 in renewals – still cost effective. About \$100 received in donations.

Treasurers Report by Leonard: \$10,737.02 in Regular Shares and \$8,721.07 in Checking.

Endowment Fund by Carole \$11,343.18 with \$821.20 spendable amount.

Lake Monitor by Dan Phosorous tested in April, Clarity @ 3 1/2 feet.

Dam report by Paul M. indicates outflow thru dam is slow even though gates are wide open – unable to locate reason for this, will take trip down the creek to seek reason.

Weed control by Larry indicates \$97,000 available for treatment. Will be very aggressive. Will test for algae type if occurs this year.

Watershed news from Carole 501c3 still @IRS, 10 river keepers, soil and road stream crossings activities planned pending available funds, invasive species in an area NE of lake being suveyed by volunteers.

Picnic will be on August 3, 2013 this year – reported by Carole.

Waiver of Ramp fees by lake residents letter to be addressed by Ron.

Tainted fish issue reported by Paul R. none in Van Etten only in Clarks Marsh.

Point of sale septic ordinance issue ready to be presented to the Township Board by Ron.

Logs in the lake hampering navigation and creating safety issues to be address by with accumulated funds by Ron.

Next meeting TBD

Adjourned @ 8:25PM

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