

Pachaug Pond Weed Control Association
February 22, 2017

Present: Thomas Giard, Patricia Peterson, Evert Gawendo, John Gagnon, Roger Hatch, John Wood, Marc Benjamin, Tom Golden and Warren Asmann.

Excused: Archie Drobiak and Barbara Hatch, Kevin Trahan, Patrick McGrath & Richard Benoit.

The Pachaug Pond Weed Control Association was called to order at 7:34PM by Chairman Thomas Giard. The roll was called. A quorum was present.

1. Nominations & Election of Officers:

Chairperson - John Gagnon made a motion to nominate **Thomas Giard**, and seconded by Warren Asmann. Motion carried.

Vice Chairperson – Tom Golden made a motion to nominate **Evert Gawendo** and seconded by John Wood. Motion carried.

Treasurer – John Wood made a motion to nominate **Warren Asmann** and seconded by Marc Benjamin. Motion carried.

Secretary – Thomas Golden made a motion to nominate **Pat Peterson**, and seconded by Evert Gawendo. Motion carried.

During the Pond Weed Study Committee Meeting this evening. We voted and accepted the name, "Pachaug Pond Weed Control Association (PPWC)

We held discussion to build a website. Tom Giard will talk to Ryan Aubin regarding the construction and the design of a website.

Evert Gawendo volunteered to write a mission statement to be read at the March 2017 meeting.

PPWC meeting will follow the Weed Study Commission group on a monthly basis. Marc Benjamin made a motion to accept and John Wood seconded. Motion carried.

Fundraising ideas were brought into discussion:

Sponsorship from local businesses, fishing clubs (tournaments). Also, how best to get the word out that we as a group are looking for support for this association such as contacts around the Pachaug Pond, (direct waterfront owners and those with

deeded rights to the pond). John Gagnon will obtain the contact information for Pachaug Campground owners. Placing ads in local newspapers, mailing postcards, Facebook Website, our own individual FB accounts, Griswold Town Hall Website, etc.

Training individuals for lake management who are willing to volunteer to work at the boat launch to check boats in/out bound (removal of weeds from propellers). Collecting our own data from various points around the pond to reduce the costs for future studies as needed.

A motion to adjourn at 7:59PM was made by John Wood and seconded by Warren Asmann. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Pat Peterson
Secretary