

## Mountainview Lake Protection Association Annual Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2018

At the residence of Nancy Steproe, 122 Hamel Road

9:30 – 11:00

Nancy Steproe – President, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. She asked everyone to introduce themselves. A list of people who have the boat launch key was given out. Ed Terry is the new Mountainview Shores President.

The minutes from last year's annual meeting were posted on our website for review, a motion to approve them was moved and seconded.

Ruth Linder – Treasurer, reminded everyone to pay their \$25.00 dues towards the Association and a reminder will be emailed out to those who have signed up for the neighborhood email. Checks can be made out to the Mountainview Lake Protective Association. We have a balance of \$4,681.98. We collected \$1,025. in 2017. We were able to purchase a depth finder for the water samplers and to purchase a Centennial Banner for \$100. All expenses came to \$411. It was motioned to approve the report and seconded.

Water Sampling Report was given by Carol Maraldo and Marty Hopkins. Testing is done three times a year from the deepest point in the lake, the nine-water ingress and outflow points on the lake, and the culvert off of Rt. 103, then samples are brought to New London for testing. The clarity this year is better and the lake is generally healthy. They did find a slight increase in the phosphate levels but nothing for concern.

Last years elections of officers and board members will remain the same for 2018.

President- Nancy Steproe, VP – Julia Magee, Treasurer – Ruth Linder, Secretary – Holly Lowe-Adamy. At large – David Campbell, John Quinn, Ward Bennett, Jim Segalini, Carole Hirsch.

Nancy Steproe introduced our guest speaker, Scott Decker from the NH Fish & Game, Program Supervisor and Biologist. [www.wildlife.state.nh.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us)

A summary of his presentation is as follows-

He started by stating the Fish and Game Association was founded in 1865 and it is funded by the fishing licenses that are purchased. NH Resident fresh water annual fee is \$45.00, non-resident is \$63.00.

One-day fresh water fishing license for \$10.00.

-The first lake survey was done in 1935 in NH.

-Mountainview Lake runs into Lake Sunapee, and Lake Sunapee runs into the Connecticut River. It is a General Regulation Lake.

-The first Mountainview Lake survey recorded in 1939, back then it was called Mountainview Pond. A few recordings were it's a warm water pond, 20' deep, fish recorded were Bass, Pickerel, Horn Pout, and Yellow Perch. They did stock the pond with Minnows and Crayfish.

-Survey done in the "Green Book" in 1948. It was given another name as "Spectacle Pond". Recorded as 105 Acres, depth of 20', with a transparency of 13'. It was stocked in 1953, with other fish noted as the Horn Pout, Bay Fish, Pickerel, Sunfish, Perch, Small mouth Bass, Pumpkin Seed Sunfish. It was also recorded with having a slight oxygen deficiency.

-1977 Fish Survey they used trap nets and the electrofishing boats, which stunned the fish temporarily so they could take samples then they would return to lake. Scott talked about how you can find out how old a fish is by counting its scales.

-1990 Survey they continued with the trap netting for samples. They found Bass, Sunfish, Golden Shiners. They recorded having fish stocked between 1993-2004 with Brown Trout but it did not take. Scott reiterated that when there is no public access to the lake the state will stop the stocking.

-Scott talked about how he took a canoe out on the lake and he caught a Large Mouth Bass and a Horn Pout and noticed the Outer, Common Merganser, Loon and an Eagle.

-You can apply for a permit for private fish stockings.

-The bottom feeders appear in the spring then disappear.

-Please refer to the website [www.wildlife.state.nh.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us) for the list of different fish found in NH lakes

-It is illegal to use lead sinkers and jigs("lead-weighted hook less than or equal to 1 ounce in weight regardless if it is painted, coated, or covered by some other substance or by attached skirts")when fishing in NH lakes.

Other Topics discussed:

-It was discussed about putting a floating nest for the Loons in Mud Pond and some fish and bait stores will buy them back and give certificates out.

-Please refer to our website about keeping boats clean of all invasive plants.

-A Lake Social on the beach will be planned, Carol Hirsch to pick a date and let the board know.

-Street lights to be put back in at the end of Hamel Road.

-Putting signs about clean and dry boats in on 103 for people who launch their small boats

-It was reminded to please sign up for the neighbor email list so you will be contacted about future lake activities.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00

Thank you for coming and see you around the Lake!