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**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF
KINDERHOOK LAKE CORPORATION ON AUGUST 23, 2014 AT 10:00 A.M.**

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Kinderhook Lake Corporation was held on August 23, 2014 at 10:00 am at the KLIA, with President Paul Winslow presiding:

Directors Present:

Ken Bosen	Paul Winslow
Bill Cleary	Dan Langer
Bernie Kelleher	Mike Francoeur
Drew Nelson	Rick Theriault
Fran Sindlinger	

Also Present:

Bill Johnston	Steve Sigler
Lisa Benfield	James Borgia-Forster
Doug and Diane Petersen	Waldo and Lydia Stoppacher
John and Linda Brady	Jim and Barb DeFonce
Charlie Liotta	Melodia Calandra
Dan Riozzi	Carl Heiner
Betty Bried	Pete Walkes
Steve Gazzola	Patty Bosen
Robin Langer	Merl Smith

Paul called the meeting to order at 10:07 am and started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Paul announced that he had received 45 proxies and we had a quorum. He distributed the draft minutes from last year's annual meeting and had the board members introduce themselves.

The question was asked if the minutes had been posted on the KLC website. They had not been, and the board agreed to put the draft minutes to the previous annual meeting on the website in advance of future annual meetings. Carl Heiner made a motion to approve the draft minutes of the 2013 meeting, and Doug Petersen seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Fran gave the Treasurer's report, and Paul asked for a motion to approve the report. Doug Petersen made a motion seconded by Dan Riozzi, and it was unanimously approved.

Paul then turned to the election of board members. There were four members whose terms were up and one of them, Mike Weldon, was not running for a new term. The three current members, Bill Cleary, Dan Langer and Fran Sindlinger, had been nominated for new terms. Steve Sigler had been nominated to fill the vacant position. Paul asked if there were any nominations from the floor and there was none. Paul asked Steve to introduce himself to the members and asked if anyone had any questions for him. Thereafter, Merl Smith made a motion to elect the slate of all four candidates, and Waldo Stoppacher seconded it. It was unanimously approved.

Paul asked for a brief description of the repairs that were completed on the dam. Bernie Kelleher explained the repairs made to the sluice gate, and he discussed how well the gate is now working. The cost of the repair was well below budget at \$26,000 partially due to the contractor's ability to reuse pieces of the

existing coffer steel we had previously installed to dewater the area in front of the gate. Bernie said the next project that needs to be done to the dam is to replace the bridge over the top of the dam. He said Colarusso & Sons Inc. not only did a great job on these repairs but also donated materials for the future bridge replacement. Bernie said that the DEC recommends that we also reface the downstream side of the dam.

Rick Theriault reported on the annual chicken BBQ. We sold 300 meals, which was the number we ordered, and had to turn people away at the door when the food ran out. He said everyone had a great time. We raised close to \$3,000. Since this is currently our only fundraising event, we will hold it again next year. He emphasized that it takes a lot of money to keep the lake up.

Paul asked that everyone talk to their neighbors, and ask any who are not members to join. Merl asked if the names on the KLC website were members or just people who live on the lake. Dan explained that the list on the website contains all members, whether or not they live on the lake.

Bill Johnston explained that he took copies of the tax maps from around the lake and highlighted the properties of KLC members. He said there were only 116 riparian members out of the 337 total members. Bill also said that he would be willing to help drive up the membership count and gave the board a copy of his findings. The board thanked Bill for his efforts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Paul announced there would be a NYS Boaters Safety Course held at the KLIA Hall on October 26th at 8:00 am and that anyone born after 1996 must take this course to operate a boat of any kind.

Paul said the board is looking into gating off the area used as a launch at the foot of Rose Street by installing a gate similar to the one at the Route 28 boat launch. Doing so would limit boat access to the lake to KLC members and thereby reduce the spread of invasive species. Merl said that had been tried before and was unsuccessful. Paul said what Merl was referring to was a different situation. Paul said the board, before taking action, wanted to know how the members felt about it. Doug Petersen made a motion to proceed with the installation of a gate, and Steve Sigler seconded it. Discussion showed that everyone was in favor of going forward with a gate, and the motion was approved unanimously. Paul said the board would next apply to the DEC for a permit.

When Paul asked for comments and questions, Bill Johnston said he would like to see the DEC help stock bass in the lake and gave the board the latest report on what the DEC found when it did its last inspection of the lake and its fish findings.

One of the members asked why the water was so clear this year. Paul said it had a lot to do with the number of cooler days; we have not had many days over 90 degrees. Drew commented that the DEC required us to increase the amount of copper sulfate applied to the lake this year by 50% and this may have also been a factor.

At 11:10 am, Bill Cleary moved to adjourn the meeting and Fran Sindlinger seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.