

12/02/10 Wildlife Management Committee Minutes

Present:

Helena Arouca
Jean DeMarco
Valerie Palamountain
Ellen Peterson
Gene Rella

Absent

None

Guests:

Katherine Armstrong
Sam Armstrong

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.
2. Valerie welcomed the attendees.
3. Gene moved that the agenda be approved. Jean seconded. The agenda was approved as presented.
4. Helena moved that the minutes of 10/07/10 be approved. Gene seconded. The minutes were approved. Ellen abstained.
5. Board of Directors Update
No report.
6. Member/Guest Comments

Jean noted that the Wildlife Committee charter was changed and approved by the BOD, and is posted on the LMOA website or available at the office.

Katherine and Sam Armstrong asked about the deer. Jean stated that the Wildlife Committee does not address the deer issue, and that two subcommittees were formed. Gene let them know where to find out about the meeting dates and times.

7. Educational Plan for 2011

Jean contacted Dr. and Mrs. Leaning to give a presentation on attracting birds. The presentation will be February 10 in the Terrace Room. The snow date is February 17. The presentation is "Gardening to Attract Birds." Action items:

- a. Publicity in the Friday Flyer
- b. Publicity in the Fluvanna Review and Rural Virginian
- c. Flyers will be put in the residents' cubby
- d. Broadcast committee was contacted to broadcast the program.
- e. Jean requested funds for dinner for the two guests. Dinner will be at 5pm. Jean will contact John Kohornen for funds.
- f. Valerie will introduce the speaker.

No work has been done on the Master Gardeners program. If they are not available, a speaker from Snow's Nursery, Ivy Nursery or another commercial nursery, or the Cooperative Extension.

The decision was made to develop the educational programs as the year progresses.

8. Wildlife Incident Report Process

Jean made the recommended changes. Ellen recommended that the officer's name be removed. Gene noted that the committee name had changed. Dropping off the completed form at the main gate was removed. Gene moved that the form be approved. Helena seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. Valerie will submit the form to the office.

9. New Business

- a. Valerie presented three candidates for the Wildlife Committee. Helena recommended that the candidates be approved. Gene felt that a personal interview was preferred. Jean felt that the names need to be submitted to the BOD before the Board meeting on December 16. Jean moved that we forego the interview and approve the three candidates. Helena seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Ellen voted no.
- b. Jean presented the proposal that information on deer resistant plants be included in new resident packets. Helena recommended that, in the future, information on all wildlife at Lake Monticello be included. Valerie expressed the concern about the cost. Jean moved that the Wildlife Committee include three documents, "Humane Ways to Live with Deer," "Fund Facts Living with Deer" and "How to Deer-Proof your Garden" with the new residents packets. Helena seconded the motion. The motion passed with three ayes. Gene and Ellen opposed the motion.

There being no other business, Jean moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. Gene seconded. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 7pm in the Terrace Game Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Palamountain
Chair/Secretary