

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

NORTH QUEENSBURY WASTEWATER DISPOSAL DISTRICT # 1

Saturday, July 20, 2019 10 am-10:40 am

Advisory Board Members Present: Sal Ervolina, Barbara Simms, Len Simms, Bud Maddocks, Rich Gordon and Phill Mitchell

Others Present: Approximately 17 Dunhams Bay residents

1. Sal Ervolina welcomed everyone and introduced Advisory Board members.
2. The June Advisory Board minutes were unanimously approved
3. Sal gave the treasurer's report. After collecting \$4,481 in assessments, we have \$19,334 in our account.
4. Sal reported that since last July, 5 new systems have been installed, 2 systems are under construction, no pump-outs received reimbursement and 2 grants were awarded by The FUND. This means that 50% of the systems in the district have been updated, and that there are 30 systems that still need inspections. Sal reminded attendees that the Board has allocated money to pay for inspections and that with the enactment of the Transfer Law by the Queensbury Town Board an inspection will be required in order to transfer ownership of property.

The Advisory Board is hoping that we will be able to facilitate five inspections as well as increase the number of pump-outs this year. To that end, Board Chair, Alan Wrigley has sent out a letter to all property owners in the District urging septic system pump-outs and inspections and detailing how they are available for reimbursement.

There were questions from the group about septic haulers. The Advisory Board had done some canvassing of local businesses and found that Stone Industries, Hometown Sewer Services and Sanitary Sewer Services were willing to complete our inspection worksheet when hired to pump-out a system. Costs were higher if the tank had not been located or uncovered.

A pump-out schedule for District residents with the newer Enhanced Treatment Units will not be the same as for a conventional system. It does not have to be done as frequently and the amount of effluent pumped out is considerably less. Eric Murdock has spoken to several district residents about coordinating pump-outs, when necessary, with our group.
5. Sal reviewed the grant program available through The FUND For Lake George. They have allocated \$30,000 for system upgrades in our district for 2019. A report shared with the Advisory Board at a previous meeting stated that The FUND has awarded a total of \$127,600. The same report showed that district residents have spent over \$313,000 to upgrade their systems. This amount does not include any projects completed in 2019 or the several system upgrades that were completed without grant money from The FUND.

Please contact Chris Navitsky if you are contemplating an upgrade for a pre-application meeting. More information can be found on The FUND's website.

Many bay homeowners signed up for the new algae study being conducted by The FUND through the Jefferson Project. Results from this project will be forwarded to Association members as soon as we receive them.

The Advisory Board is also following the progress of a grant submitted by Warren County for septic system replacement.

6. Election of Advisory Board Members: Rich Gordon informed the group that Matt O'Hara was interested in serving on the Board. He, along with Len Simms, Barbara Simms and Bud Maddocks were unanimously elected to three year terms.
7. Election of Advisory Board Officers: Alan Wrigley, Chair; Barbara Simms, Vice-Chair and Secretary; and Sal Ervolina, Treasurer were unanimously elected as officers.
8. The next Annual Meeting Date was set for Saturday, July 18, 2020 at 10 am.
9. The next Advisory Board Meeting was set for Wednesday, September 18th at 7pm in Supervisor Strough's Conference Room.
10. Sal thanked the Dunhams Bay Association for all of their assistance during the year and the Dunhams Bay Resort for hosting our Annual Meeting.