Waterfront Committee Report Annual Sept. 1, 2018

The ice pulled the dock on the left side of the harbor. Lee Libby used his tractor to pull it part way back in and install cables. Andy Avelis and some members of the Waterfront Committee finished the work. Lee and Andy both donated their services. We want to thank you for that.

Burgess construction installed the swim docks. We have our new docks and the correct topping for them. Andy Avelis installed the small harbor docks with help from the Waterfront committee. The list of slip assignments and canoe/kayak assignment is posted on the shed. Ed Zambraski has done a lot of work at the waterfront. He is doing the mowing this year. Our committee has decided to leave a strip unmowed around the perimeter of the property. Terry Donovan has put of lines around the water edges of the property. We are trying to discourage the geese. So far, the geese are winning. Russ Considine, the new owner of Paul Ellis's house, is going to put up a fence at the property line to keep the geese from our side from crossing over to his side and vice versa. I am going to check out if we can shoot geese at the harbor during the fall hunting season.

Ed Zambraski has replaced boards on the raft and repaired the swim ladder. Rick Lavigne and Dave Douglas have installed the raft and the swim lines. They have created a new mooring for the raft. The old mooring could not be found. Next year they will move the moorings farther out to increase our swim area.

Major work was done to clean up the waterfront. Ed Zambraski, Dave Douglas, Harry Simon, John Patriquin, Nancy Zambraski, and Bob Moore helped. Over 7 trailer/truck loads of brush and debris were taken to the transfer station. Ed Zambraski ordered and installed a new charcoal grill.

Next year we will probably need to replace the swim lines. The sheet to sign up of slips and canoe/kayak places will go out the with bill for the dues. The Waterfront committee will assign the slips after the January Board Meeting. The canoe/kayak places will be posted on the racks after ice-out. I have put up a signup sheet for the fall use of the harbor slips on the shed. Canoes and kayaks should be removed by October 1st.

I applied for a "Permit by Rule" from DEP to add rip rap to the edge of the swim area to keep the land from eroding. That goes along with the permit we received last year for dredging out debris that had drifted into our harbor. Last year the fall rains kept us from doing the work. M&H will do both in the fall.

I want to thank our marvelous Waterfront Committee for all their help. That is Terry Donovan, Dick Moore, Dave and Ann Arthurs, Gary Wadsworth, Chester Winkowski, Ed Zambraski, Butch DeSantis, Dave Saar, and Andy Avelis.

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