Waterfront Annual 2019

All is going well at the Waterfront thanks to my fantastic committee. On the committee are Terry Donovan, Dick Moore, Dave and Ann Arthurs, Gary Wadsworth, Chester Wincowski, Ed Zambraski, Butch DeSanctis, Dave Saar, Andy Avelis, and myself.

We had damage to the harbor docks which had to be repaired in the spring. Gary Wadsworth and Ed Zambraski secured materials and repaired it.

Burgess Inc. installed the swim docks and put the ramp up to where it touches the grass making it easy to get on the docks. We have our new rip rap to prevent erosion on the shore.

The harbor has been dredged last fall by M&H and is now deeper. There is still a low area out aways in the channel to where the equipment couldn’t get.

Gary Wadsworth has connected the new electric line to not be under water in the launch area with the help of Ed Zambraski and John Patriquim.

Ed Zambraski put in the grass seed after the other work was done at the Harbor. It is starting to grow, but we will have to reseed in the spring possibly with some professional help.

All the canoe/kayak racks have been assigned. The slips are well filled. The lists for the boats are on the shed and for the canoes and kayaks on the first rack. You sign up for either or both when you pay your dues and road fees in the fall. The slips are assigned in January after the January Board Meeting. The assignments for the canoe/kayak racks will be posted on the first rack after ice out.

One dead tree that we had planned to remove in the spring fell down. Ed Zambraski sawed it up. Jim Carignan then removed several dead trees. We will do some landscaping next year.

Ed, Dave Douglas, and John Patriquin put in the swim buoys and new swim lines. We are going to add to the lines next year to go out further.

Less grass was mowed to try to discourage the geese. As even the dead goose on the grass which had been killed by a fox did not discourage them last year, I was not optimistic. The geese are now back holding their end of summer conventions.

We had an infestation of bees in the shed. After my visiting son received several bites, we had Bill Elliot relocate the bees.

Tom Lillis, the Rangeley code enforcement officer is going the give us a 911 number for the Harbor. The road will be called HOLA Harbor Place where it splits off form Burr Rd. Tom says he will get to this in the fall as he is overworked with new construction. The new owners of Burr’s house have put up a sign at Burr Rd. now saying Edgewater. Tom says they have hot applied for an official name change.

It is challenging to budget for the Waterfront as we have many unexpected expenses.

Mary-Ellen Moroney, Harbormaster