

TWIN & WALKER CREEKS WATERSHED CONSERVANCY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 14, 2015

The meeting was held at the Walker Lake Clubhouse and called to order by President Chet Dawson at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were: Pat & Chet Dawson, Kirk Mackey, Scott Rando, Shirley Masuo, Irene DeVito and Pat Messineo.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: The minutes of the July 17 were accepted as e-mailed by the Secretary Pat Messineo.

TREASURER: Treasurer Irene DeVito reported balances as of 8/14/15: Checking \$4,439.00; Money Market \$16,469.16. Expenses included Newsletter printing and mailing. Receipts included donations and membership fees. A donation of \$2500 was received from an anonymous donor, with the stipulation that we will not use this information for any publicity or fund raising purpose. Irene will send thank you notes to all donors.

OLD BUSINESS: The probe continues to have problems and cannot be calibrated. PCCD recommends purchase of a new Professional Plus, the same one recommended by YSI. Scott Rando made a motion to purchase a new probe as proposed by PCCD with a cap of \$3300. The receipt of the Cora Brooks donation will defray the cost. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Irene will provide the tax free number. Water testing will be postponed until probe is received. Chet will order the probe. **Water Testing:** Kirk will advise Peter Loewrigkeit to cancel testing scheduled for tomorrow at Twin Lakes, or do everything except the probe. **General Meeting:** The general meeting is scheduled for October 24 at Walker Lake Clubhouse. Subject is Lyme Disease with Expert Ann Metz. Chet will confirm the room reservation with Walker Lake. Peter Wulfhorst will prepare a postcard to be sent out on October 1 to RR mail routes in Shohola.

NEW BUSINESS: PCCD Representative: A new PCCD representative has been assigned to us – Emin Rinaldi. Chet will invite her to the next meeting. **Fracking:** Chet talked about a new method for detecting source of methane from fracking. He distributed an article about methane explosion in Texas. **Geese Nuisance:** Scott Rando reported that a laser has been used against the geese at Walker Lake resulting in no geese!! **New Members:** It was suggested that we place articles in area newsletters at the lakes – Twin Sails, Sagamore News, and Walker Lake to interest residents in joining the Watershed Board.

Next Meeting: Friday, September 18, 2015 at Walker Lake Clubhouse. Future meetings include General Meeting October 24 and Potluck in November at Dawson's Home.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Messineo, Secretary