

FRIENDS OF SPY POND PARK MEETING

APRIL 12, 2009

In attendance: Eric Berger, Karen Grossman, Elizabeth Karpati, Fred Moses, Ilse Oliveira.

The **minutes** of the March meeting were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report: CD stands at \$2008.23, checking account at \$8552.08, cashbox at \$42.
Received: Dues from 10 people including 4 new, + \$55 in donations. Sold 3 T-shirts at Ecofest.

Park maintenance:

- DPW did some cleanup already. If any major debris is left, e.g. washed up at Linwood Beach, DPW will be asked to remove it before the first work day on April 25.
- Mulch will be delivered by DPW on May 1, for spreading on the May 2 work day. We need to build a small berm at the bottom of each mulched area to keep the mulch from getting washed into the pond.
- All work days are scheduled for Saturdays; rain date is Sunday.
- Gail McCormick will write a grant proposal, perhaps for dealing with the erosion on the paths.
- Eric Berger got the battery needed for the weed whacker; it is kept in Anne Ellinger's garage.
- Tools: Doris Birmingham made a list of what we need and checked prices: \$221 at Dixon's in Harvard Square. Doris was injured in an accident and can't drive now, so Ilse will check prices at Home Depot for comparison. Eric moved to spend up to \$250 on tools as needed, and it was so voted.

Other:

- The Ecofest was a success and may be repeated next year. One person signed up for FSPP. Newsletters left over from our display were given to Robbins Library.
- Dues solicitation letters will be mailed before the postage goes up in May.
- Newsletter: We have enough material for the next issue, which should include the calendar of work days and should therefore go out before the April 25 work day.
- The Board of Selectmen has voted No Action on the Green Dog warrant article
- Eric reported on the proposed changes for Mass. Ave. in East Arlington, which are getting opposition from residents of the area.

Next meeting: 7 p.m. Sunday, May 10, 2009, 32 Hamilton Road. #402, Arlington, MA.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Karpati