

**FRIENDS OF SPY POND PARK**  
**Meeting Minutes - 5 February 2012**

The meeting was held at the home of Karen Grossman, 32 Hamilton Road, Arlington.

**In attendance:** Karen Grossman, President; Kym and Dan Goldsmith and their young daughter Lycia; Elizabeth Karpati, Carol Kycia, Lally Stowell and Bev Williams.

Karen called the meeting to order. Each person introduced him/herself and told of their recent experiences in the park. Minutes from the December 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting were distributed and approved. **Treasurer's report:** Checking account - \$10,674, CD - \$3014. We had 111 **paid members** in 2011.

**Beautification committee:** Karen reported that one kiosk roof still needs shingles. Work dates are as follows: Saturdays with the next afternoon as rain date: April 14 (BU alumni) May 19, June 23, July 21 a.m., August 18 a.m., September 8 (Fun Day) and October 13. Please notify the officers if a group you know of or participate in would like to assist on one of these Work Days.

**Path erosion** - just the design plan will cost \$7,898. Karen will attend the next meeting of the Park Commission and report that Friends of Spy Pond Park **voted** to contribute \$2,500 to the plan, in hopes that the town assume the rest of the cost of the design and repairs to the paths, including the wheelchair ramp to the edge of the pond.

Permit for **storage shed**. Karen will ask the town. Marshall is continuing research on wooden sheds; we have heard reports that the plastic ones are not sturdy enough for our needs. Karen will also request that the Town to erect a NO WAKE sign near the park. The warrant article passed, but the town has not yet put up a sign. Charlotte Milan is investigating the possibility of having **boats** available to the public. People would pay shares, which would provide the capital to purchase several boats. The Parks Department would store the boats and hire teenagers to manage them.

**Portable toilet** would cost about \$1,000 a year. Crew team uses Boys and Girls Club bathrooms and cannot pay for it. Have a toilet in the summer months when the boats are in use? No decision at this meeting; we will consider in the future.

**Database** is up to date, thanks to Marshall.

2012 is the **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Friends of Spy Pond Park!** Suggested activity: a potluck lunch in the park on Saturday, June 2: 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., with rain date Sunday June 3. Please bring other suggestions to the April board meeting.

**Spring newsletter** deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>. New editor needed by December!

Next meeting: April 15, 7 p.m. at Karen's home.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bev Williams, Secretary