

# FRIENDS OF SPY POND PARK MEETING

APRIL 2, 2006

**In attendance:** Frances Cameron, Sarah Conn, Anne Ellinger, Karen Grossman, Elizabeth Karpati, Betsy Leondar-Wright, Ellen Robertson. **Minutes:** Elizabeth Karpati

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

**Financial report:** No significant changes since the last meeting. We have one new member, who volunteered to look through the old financial records in preparation for the reports due to the state.

**Dues mailing:** To be done in early May after the park opening. Betsy will provide the labels; Frances will get volunteers to do the mailing.

**Phone committee:** We still don't have one. Ellen would be willing to call 5 people before a meeting (different ones each time). An alternative would be to set up a "phone tree."

**Beautification:** The Spy Pond Park sign for Linwood Circle is supposed to be ready for the opening. The Heimlich Co. wants to put its own sign there; Ellen will ask it to put its sign toward the water. The fences are scheduled to come down by April 15.

**Cleanup:** There is a lot of litter on the slope from the bikepath (which is not part of the park). Members who are available will do an informal cleanup on April 8. Ellen will ask if either Heimlich or the Town is planning to clean up debris in the water along the shore.

**Opening celebration: Sunday, April 30, 3 – 6 pm.**

*Activities:* 3 - 4 and 5 – 6 arranged by Kathy, Betsy, et al; to include scavenger hunt, kids' activities, water polo demonstration.

Betsy will try to get the Spy Pond puppet. Three people will be needed to hold it.

*Ceremonies:* 4- 5 in grassy area next to parking lot. MC from the Town; Good Citizen awards (Karen), entertainment (Betsy). Dixieland band at 4:30 or later.

Ellen moved, and it was voted, to offer \$50 to the Park & Recreation Dept. toward the food it will provide.

*Publicity:* Anne has made flyers for the April exhibit at Robbins Library. The exhibit will have to be taken down on Saturday, 4/29 since the library is closed on Sundays, so it can be taken to the park and exhibited there during the celebration. Elizabeth will post the information about the celebration on the Kelwyn Manor, Spy Pond, and Menotomy Bird Club e-mail lists.

**NEXT MEETING:** Sunday, May 7, 7:30 p.m., 32 Hamilton Road.