



Loon Preservation Committee

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Minutes of the Loon Preservation Committee Annual Meeting, August 20, 2020 Via Zoom

Kristen Begor, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The minutes from the August 22, 2019 were unanimously approved.

Kristen welcomed members and trustees attending the first Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) Annual meeting held via Zoom. She thanked members and donors for their support during a difficult year. Kristen thanked retiring Trustees Sandy McGinnes and Brian Reilly for their years of service and dedication to LPC. She stated that she was delighted that they both had agreed to continue to serve as non-Board representatives on LPC Board committees.

The floor was given to Robert Rotberg, Governance Committee Co-Chair to oversee the re-election of Trustees who were scheduled to begin a new three-year term. Current Trustees Kristen Begor, Glyn Green and Robert Rotberg were re-nominated for a third three-year term and the nomination passed unanimously. The membership was then asked to ratify minor changes that had been made to the LPC by-laws and approved by the LPC Board of Trustees at the April Board meeting. These included minor changes to the membership section, added language to the dissolution section, and changes to create consistency with the Loon Preservation Committee Memorandum of Understanding with New Hampshire Audubon. The by-laws had been made available on the LPC website prior to the meeting. The membership ratified the changes unanimously.

Next on the agenda was a report from Finance Committee Chair, Glyn Green. Glyn noted that LPC had a good year and remains in solid financial shape despite the challenges of Covid and an extensive building project. Copies of LPC's Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements are available at www.loon.org.

Harry Vogel, Senior Biologist/Executive Director, joined LPC Trustees, volunteers, and staff in thanking Sandy and Brian for their outstanding service as Trustees of LPC. The business portion of the LPC Annual Meeting was adjourned at 6:43.

Following the business meeting, Harry Vogel announced that the recipient of the 2020 Spirit of the Loon Award was Kappy Sprenger. Kappy is a pioneering wildlife rehabilitator who has aided loons and LPC in many ways over the years. The evening concluded with a slide presentation from loon photographer and videographer John Rockwood and a report on the 2020 loon season from Harry Vogel.