

July 1, 1969

TO ALL MEMBERS OF PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF STOCKER POND:

A meeting of the Property Owners' Association of Stocker Pond and Public Works Commissioner Robert H. Whitaker and Mr. John Palazzi will take place at 8 p.m., Monday, July 7, at President Warren Heinzelmann's camp at Stocker Pond.

It is hoped that all members who can will attend since Mr. Whitaker and Mr. Palazzi will further discuss the water condition in Stocker Pond.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ted Rouillard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ted" being more prominent than the last name "Rouillard".

Theodore J. Rouillard,
Sec.-Treas.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF STOCKER POND
MONDAY, JULY 7, 1969

A meeting of the Property Owners' Association of Stocker Pond was held at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Heinzelmänn on Monday evening, July 7. Present were: Commissioner of New Hampshire Public Works Robert H. Whittaker, William Helie, director of Water Supply and Pollution Commission; Terrence Frost, chief biologist of Water Supply and Pollution Commission; John Palazzi, Palazzi Construction Company; Charles Downing, Construction Engineer; and John McCorliss, Area Engineer; and Association Members Mr. and Mrs. Warren Heinzelmänn, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dasaro, Mr. and Mrs. Silva Gaudreau, Mrs. John Faulkes, Mrs. Leif Jacobsen, Rev. Robert Carty, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore J. Rouillard.

After brief opening remarks of the Stocker Pond problems, in which he recommitted the State and the Palazzi Construction Company to treat the waters of the pond if that was the wish of the property owners, Commissioner Whittaker yielded to Mr. Palazzi, who explained the experimentation conducted in his own pond above Stöcker. Mr. Palazzi said that his company had bought the land and constructed an earthen dam to contain the water, similiarly polluted with silt. He said the water was treated rather unsuccessfully with aluminum sulfate. He said he had hoped to obtain gypsum for the experiment, but a promise of delivery and a price were all he could obtain at the moment. He said he is conducting a test of treated water on fish life in his own pond, but it is much too soon for any results.

Mr. Palazzi noted that there had been an improvement in the coloration of the water in Stocker in the last couple of weeks. He said he had backed up the water from Eastman pond brook in an effort to dilute the coloration in Stocker, in view of the fact that the inlet to Stöcker does not provide sufficient supply to run a flow through it.

Commissioner Whittaker explained that the lateness in starting work on seeding of the slopes was due to the saturated condition of the soil.

Area Engineer McCorliss said that refilling and seeding of the slopes would be completed "tonight or tommorrow". He said that from four to six weeks without heavy rain was needed to obtain good grass growth. If the waters of Stocker, he said, were "treated now we might be in more trouble in the pond with vegetation on slopes. If we can get a growth in a month or six weeks, damage next spring might be negligible".

Chief Biologist Frost said that it would cost between \$8,000 to \$11,000 to treat the waters of Stöcker pond, but he felt it would accomplish little unless and until stabilization of the slopes with vegetation was had.

Mr. Heinzelmann asked what would happen to the soil suspension in the water when it drops, would it create further coloration when stirred up by swimmers. Mr. Frost said that "small puffs" would come up but would go down and consolidate.

Mrs. Jacobsen said she felt that the water level has affected her well; that the brook which fed her well had gone dry.

Mrs. Gaudreau felt that the present water level was about where it used to be many years ago.

Mr. Haskell pointed out that "dirty water" came into the pond last Friday night after the storm.

Mr. McCorliss referred to the type seeding for maximum root growth that was being used on the slopes.

In answer to a question, Mr. Palazzi said that the water from his pond will eventually flow into Stocker, although the pond was made to catch silt.

At this point Commissioner Whittaker said that the State and Mr. Palazzi "have done everything we know" to stabilize the slopes.

President Heinzelmann asked the feeling of the Property Owners relative to requesting immediate treatment of the water or waiting for stabilization of the slopes.

Rev. Carty was of the opinion that it would be useless to treat the water before stabilization was achieved.

Mr. Whittaker interposed that fish life could be affected by treatment of the water, and Mr. Palazzi said that "come fall we are goint to plant pine trees and seed the Pillsbury property."

Concurring with the opinion of Rev. Carty were Mr. Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Gaudreau, Mrs. Foulkes, Mr. Dasaro and Mr. Rouillard.

Mrs. Jacobsen asked "what do you do if washouts continue?" Mr. Whittaker said that if a wash occurs it will be reseeded within a day.

Mr. Whittaker said the brook which runs just north of the sawmill yard would be cleaned of sand bags and stone at the bridge.

Following the departure of the State and Construction firm guests, Mr. Heinzelmann explained that some work on the road on the east side of the pond had been done by the Town of Grantham. He said the grader work was being done only as far as the Cole property. The grader operator said, Mr. Heizelmann stated, that he had been given instructions not to grade any further because the town didn't own more of the highway than to that point. Mr. Heizelmann said he spoke

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to Selectman Reney, who also said that the town did not own more of the road than to Don Cole's place. Mr. Reney, however, did agree to permit the grader to work further down the road.

Mr. Reney also told Mr. Heinzelmann that an article should be inserted in the town warrant for vote on acceptance of the road beyond the Cole property.

It was the feeling among some property owners that they had been given the impression that the entire road, not just a section, had been accepted by the town. It was felt that nothing further could be done until it could be determined how much land had been transferred to the town by Mr. Cole.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore J. Rouillard,
Secretary-Treas.