Attendees: Ed Charrette, Andy Lapati, Pat Karpacz

The June minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS
Andy checked and there is no room for a Conservation Commission sign at the pamphlet rack in the Administration Office.

The rock with the sign for Recreation Beach is now in place.

Ed will write to the Marina Committee, Wayne and the Executive Committee to say that they need written permission from the abutters (omitted from the Marina Committee’s document) to expand parking at Long Beach.

Andy will take pictures of the wet lands behind the proposed limited parking lot expansion.

NEW BUSINESS
A resident complained that a neighbor cut down trees on her lot. Ed will write an article for the FINS about tree cutting.

Discussion followed about the presentation at the joint Conservation Commission/Garden Club Pot Luck Supper on August eighth. The FOSL (Friends of Sebago Lake) speaker mentioned how the lake has encroached 40 feet into the bluffs on the southwestern side of F.I., polluting the lake with phosphorus rich clay and soil. Due to runoff and an unnaturally high water level management, the water “resembles tea instead of its historic gin clarity”. The speaker referred us to a July 13, 2009 article in the Portland Herald about this problem.

It was agreed that we should get involved in water quality issues next year, working through our Planning Board to get ordinances to protect water quality.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Karpacz, sect’y.