Swartswood Lakes & Watershed Fall Membership Meeting Minutes October 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Randy Sprague, President with the following present: Milt Becker, Larry Condit, David Cooper, Margaret Emmetts, George Morville, Alex Roney, Jim Stark and Ed Szabo.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved, as was the Treasurers' report which showed the following balances:

Regular account \$17,386.00 Grant checking account 50.75 Certificate of deposit 1,235.98

Nisivoccia LLP audited the books in September and reported all in order.

Membership - there are currently 73 paid families + Swartswood Yacht Club.

Volunteer Hours - Larry Condit distributed sheets to record volunteer hours and stated he would track same.

Fishing Club - This year's tag program was the most successful in about 25 years. To date there have been about 50 tag returns, with more expected. More important, many showed the presence of hold-over trout.

State Park - no formal report

Monitoring - Alex Roney stated that monitoring for DO, secchi and temperature was done all summer. Oxygen and clarity reports were good.

Lake Management - Randy reported that for some time we were unable to determine who our contact was at DEP. Terry Romagna is now back and will be out new contact. We are investigating if remaining funds from an old Stormwater grant are still available.

There is currently a floating lily mass of about one acre in Little Swartswood as a result of recent flooding. Residents will check with FEMA in Hampton to see if they will fund dealing with the problem.

Our resident sponsored herbicide application two years ago was a success and we will look to the State Park to repeat the procedure in spring of 2012. Recent testing has verified that the combination of alternate Sonar application and lake lowering has not negatively impacted native species, but in some cases has

enhances them. Same area coordinators from last application will contact residents to determine if they wish to participate again.

We have been meeting with the DEP to change the designation of the American Lotus from threatened and endangered to invasive. Threatened and endangered classification can only apply to native species. Therefore, we are attempting to prove that the species was not native to the area, but rather brought here by native Americans or others.

Agenda 21 - a brief discussion was held about Agenda 21, a United Nations action. It was suggested that members Google the site to learn about the program and its implications.

Nominations - The following slate of officers was proposed:

President	Jim Stark
Vice President	Paul Adamski
Treasurer	Larry Condit
Secretary	Margaret Emmetts with Mary Ellen Kline as pro-tem
Trustees:	Mike Monahan '13
	Jan Hendershott '13
Continuing	Mary Ellen Kline '13 Alex Roney '12
G	Randy Sprague '12 Stu Quarty '12
	Ed Szabo '13 George Morville '12
	David Cooper '13 Jim Bastinck '13
	Milt Becker '12

The slate was unanimously elected as presented.

A suggestion was made to up-date the SLWA brochure, and include the names and e-mail addresses of officers. Margaret will do this and was authorized to have same printed at Staples. Milt Becker offered to stuff mailboxes.

With no further business, the Trustee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Emmetts, Secretary pro-tem