## Letter from the President

Just like that, another summer has nearly passed as Labor Day always seems to arrive too soon. Lake Moxie continues to radiate charm into the fall as visits slow down, the maples, birches, and aspens erupt in all their colorful glory. Part of the enjoyment of Lake Moxie is watching wide variety of activities that camp owners enjoy. While fishing has always been a popular it seems to be replaced, in part anyway, by bicycling, kayaking, and just enjoying the lake on a pontoon boat. Enjoying a "Moose Safari" as the sun sets, a campfire and S'Mores. Into fall their hunters take to the woods for grouse and white-tails. Some venture forth in the winter with snowmobiles and skis. Or enjoy a good book, or banter over a game of cribbage to pass the time as muscles tire or the weather dictates. It all combines to create the flavor, culture, or is it just the soul of Lake Moxie.

An exemplar of this soul was the transition away from the bottle return bins. There was concern that well intended donors would continue the tradition of dropping returnables after the bins were gone. In early June the discussion emerged on the Friends of Lake Moxie Facebook page and the bottles (and trash) immediately stopped. KUDOs to the keepers of that page, they are a rainbow for Facebook and this fantastic community.

It appears that much of the "structure maintenance" on the powerline along the lake has been completed. The activities could be heard throughout the day and regular equipment traffic was present on the road. It was also very notable that the trucks drove very slow in consideration for all the occupied camps. A big thank you to LMCA member Jim Wright for being onsite on a regular basis and keeping the disturbance as minimal as possible.

## **Road Report**

With continued investments, camp owners have increased use in their camps and the road. Fortunately, with the increase in dues and an increase in paid membership we have had the finances to continue to maintain and improve the integrity of the road. The return on the investment in gravel and shaping the road (crown) over the past 6 years was best realized this spring. We only needed to "spot grade" because the road had held up so well and we were able to put that money saved into more gravel. The total road expenditure this summer was \$3350 for gravel and grading.

## **Fall Meeting**

The fall meeting will be September 3 at 9:00AM. In The Forks Town Hall. State of Maine CDC COVID guidelines at the time of the meeting will be followed.

Respectfully, Mark Leathers, LMCA President