**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON**

**CONSERVATION-LAKE COMMITTEE**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Thursday, May 10, 2018**

**7:00 PM**

**TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Present:** Peter Zawisza, Martin Podskoch, Wes Jenks, Joe Carbonell, John Purple, and Alternate Member Anita Guerin, and Jeremy Hall (Parks & Rec.)

**Absent:** Tom O’Brien, John Roche, and Danielle Holmes.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zawisza at 7:03 p.m.

**Seating of Alternates:** None

**Approvals:**

1. **Minutes of Regular Meeting: May 10, 2018-** *A motion was made by Mr. Purple, seconded by Mr. Carbonell, to approve the minutes with a suggestion to amend the number of votes of the May 10, 2018 meeting. Voted 5-0.*

**Communications and Liaison Reports:** An updated budget report for the committee was provided for the members. Anchor has been slow with their response to the project. They tried to reach out to the town but didn’t receive a response back. The Town Manager is supposed to be getting more involved in the process. A suggestion was made to find someone else to dig the holes for the project.

**Public Remarks:** None

**Plan Review: 182 East High Street- Lots 7B & 7C:** Pat Benjamin the civil engineer for this project presented to the committee. The project for the land is to create a building platform to encourage people to buy the land. The wetlands line intersects the land plot down the middle. Grading the land to make the plot level would essentially move the wetlands line forward on the map. But the distance between the lake shore and the residential area will remain the same, that aspect won’t change. Layers of silt fences will be applied to the boundary line for the plot of land. There are no building plans so far; there is only the platforms being built in the meantime. The platforms will be made of crushed stone. It was mentioned that when a person is in the process of buying the land and platform a site review will be provided. There will be a detention basin for run-off water. This basin will be layered stone and silt fencing; when the drainage water filters through the different layers clears put contaminants. The water would then drain out towards the lake. A suggestion was made to either enlarge the detention basin or install a drainage pipe leading across the road to empty somewhere less harmful. The detention basin would have to be enlarged by 30% if the plans were to change to accommodate the amount of drainage flowing in the basin. Another suggestion was made to have another detention basin added to the site plans on the side of Bear Swamp. The committee members wanted to ensure there wouldn’t be more drainage into the lake. The engineer stated that the project will not increase the drainage percentage into the lake.

*A motion was made by Mr. Carbonell, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to approve the plan review for 182 East High Street for Lots 7B & 7C with the amendments to increase the detention basin on the street side of the plot and to add another detention basin on the Bear Swamp side of the plot. Voted 4-1 in favor.*

**Watershed Project(s)/ Federal Funding Updates:** None, but there was a comment made stating there is a plan of action in place.

**Old Business:**

1. **Sub-Committee Report on Education:** There was a discussion about having brochures made to pass along the Lake Smart information to the citizens living on the lake. These brochures will hopefully open the lines of communication between the residents and the committee members. There is enough money in the budget to cover the cost of designing and printing new brochures. They will be passed around at Old Home Day and mailed to the citizens living on the lake. A criteria for how to implement the Lake Smart program was lightly discussed.
2. The meeting was postponed.
3. None

**New Business:** There was a discussion about unregistered boats out on the lake. A person registering their boat to put out in the lake needs to have a current permit and registration. A suggestion was made to have the police monitor the lake for any unregistered boats when they can. That could reduce the number of unregistered boats entering the lake.

The topic of Old Home Day was brought up and lightly discussed. There will be two booths; one for the EDC members and one for the friends of the lake. The committee is looking for volunteers to help pass the word around about the new Lake Smart program. The members are anticipating the new brochures will be ready to pass out at Old Home Day. This would help further pass the information along to the community and those living on or near the lake.

The kayak that was stuck in the dam has been removed. A suggestion was made to have a metal grate installed to further prevent this accident from occur in the future. Another suggestion was to have a measuring stick in the lake to track the water level and upload the results or even a video to the town’s website.

There were 20 core samples taken from the lake and sent to UMASS to be tested and analyzed. The drilling boat will be back to take more samples from the lake. The results will be brought back to the town once the tests have been completed.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** *Mr. Podskoch made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Purple, at 8:20 p.m. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk