

HOLLAND LAKE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held on July 18, 2016

Called to Order: 7:01

Attendance: Lynn Arnold, Suzanne Wilbur, Chris McCooe, Dennis Allard, Bill Terbush, Eli Gillen, John Stevens

Old Business:

- D. Allard made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on June 27, 2016. B. Terbush seconded. Motion passed with two abstentions.
- LOC is on the BOS agenda for August 16th to discuss the task list. **L. Arnold** will attend. **D. Allard** and **B. Terbush** will make an effort to attend.
- It was brought up that the printed minutes of the Town Meeting have LOC as a board that reports to the BOS. **L. Arnold** will track down the video tape to determine if the minutes are accurate.
- D. Allard visited potential South Basin ramp sites with the BOS. They narrowed the list down to two sites: Fenton/Brandon Rd and White Rd/Massaconnic Trail. These options will be discussed by the BOS.
- The former South Basin boat ramp owner is deceased and the property was in probate. **C. McCooe** will find out if the tax bill went out.

New Business:

- All members have been sworn in with the exception of S. Wilbur.
- D. Allard made a motion to elect L. Arnold the chair of LOC. J. Stevens seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Terbush reported on his research into state and local lake jet ski regulations. Most other towns have a speed limit of 45 mph, which is significantly greater than Holland's 12 mph bylaw. Issue tabled until the next meeting.
- L. Arnold reported that she had received complaints about sewer running down the stre into the lake from approximately 24 Brandon Road. A report had been made to Holland's BOH with no response. L. Arnold recommended the person contact the state BOH. **E. Gillen** also said he would follow up with the BOH and concerns that the BOH does not respond to should be sent to the BOS.
- The water level in the lake is low and the Highway Department does not want to operate the dam before the inspection. **E. Gillen** volunteered to find out when the inspection would be scheduled.
- There have been reports of UMass and DEP doing testing, mapping and sampling in the reservoir. The town owns the lake. Was the BOS notified?
- L. Arnold contacted the USACE regarding the status of Lake Siog. The lake is a "great pond" owned by the Commonwealth. The town owns only the sand at the town beach. **E. Gillen** will ask the BOS how they would like to proceed with testing the water at the town beach on Lake Siog (at the expense of not testing at PJs beach).

- B. Terbush reported on the fallen tree on the north basin by Old Acres Road. The police have been complaining about the tree as well. **E. Gillen** will discuss the issue with the BOS and write a letter to the homeowner.
- D. Allard reported on his progress with preparing a presentation on dredging. LOC will come up with a long term plan with a broad scope including the causeway and dam as it related to the dredging project.
- **S. Wilbur** will look into the hazard mitigation grant program and what the town might qualify for.

Public Access:

- There was a report of human waste and oil in the brook near the old south boat launch. It will be reported to the BOH, and the reporter should copy the BOS.

Adjourned: 8:40 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Suzanne Wilbur, Secretary

C: Select Board, Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Highway Department, File