

Sturbridge Lakes Advisory Committee

03/20/14

Agenda Minutes

7:00 PM

Sturbridge Town Hall

Attendees:

Co-Chairs: Laurie Palmer Marit Tasse

BOS: Mary Redetzke (BOS)

Dave Mitchell

Diane LeBlanc (Volunteer)

Terri Ricard

Cheryl Wood Creeden

Bruce Gran

Bob White

Joel Casaubon

Kristen Hudzik

Chris Mazeika

John O'Brien

• **Call Meeting to Order**

- Called to order at 7:00PM by Marita Tasse

• **Minutes from 12/05/13 Meeting**

- Minutes Accepted as submitted.
- Motion: Dave Mitchell Second: Terri Ricard Unanimous

• **Betterment Distribution**

- Submit requests through Barbara Berry
 - Cedar Lake request has been submitted.

• **Newspaper Articles:**

- April: Clean Up/Landscaping – Laurie Palmer
- May: Boating Safety – Joel Casaubon (Boating Course Date: 05/01/14)
- June: Canoe Trail - Cheryl Wood Creeden
- July: Storm Water Run-Off – Bruce Gran

• **Boating Safety Class**

- Will be scheduled for either May 10th or 17th. Finalized by next meeting.

• **SLAC Fund**

- Lake Association donations to be submitted to Shawn (Mary to confirm).
- Reference 12/05/13 minutes.
- Allow excess funds to be added.

- **Sturbridge Lake Monitoring**

- Dave Mitchell filtered/sorted historical data and distributed to SLAC members.
- Dave Mitchell pursuing utilization of high school students to video tape the lake monitoring process. More information at April meeting.
- Create a Standard Operations Manual for use to train volunteers.
- Dave Mitchell is seeking a successor to take over the monitoring process.
 - Possible candidates:
 - Chris Mazeika: ?
 - Marita Tasse: Helper
 - Bruce Gran; Helper
 - Others: ?
- Next, Dave will submit a Timeline.

- **2014 Projects/Plans**

- Lake Association no jurisdiction over fishing derby's or tournaments. Why not?
- Mary Redetzke working on articles/issues regarding ice fishing trash left on ice.
- Town should seek laws or by-laws to regulate access to lakes/ponds within Sturbridge.
- Apply pressure to BOS & elected officials to protect the lakes.
- Establish Lakes Appreciation Day

- **Old Business**

- Fishing Tournaments
 - Generated from outside groups/organizations requesting access.
 - Marita Tasse requested:
 - Guidelines for Fishing Tournaments be created since the Sturbridge Great Ponds are State Lakes.
 - Groups/organizations must submit permit requests through the State.
 - Bob White will contact Fisheries & Wildlife for information.
 - Additionally, Bob is willing to research what "we" have for protection and process.
 - Contact provided: Terry Smith 617-727-1943
- Educational Articles Update:
 - January – Bob White: Ice Safety
 - February – Marita Tasse: History/Memories of South Pond
 - March – Open

- **Meeting Adjourned:**

- 8:10PM.
- Motion: Bob White Second: Dave Mitchell Unanimous