

Minutes of Wayland SWQC Meeting, 27 April, 2011

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Present: Toni Moores, Mike Lowery, Bob Goldsmith, Lin Bradford. Tom Largy

The meeting came to order at 7:30 PM. There was no public comment.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved 5-0.
2. Dudley Pond
 - a. The first water sampling program for phosphorus, nitrogen, and α -chlorophyll has been conducted and samples sent for analysis. Three locations were sampled each at three depths, to be repeated in the summer and fall. This is the start of the analysis of the pond's trophic index. Samples have been sent to Nashoba Analytical Lab, and results are expected shortly.
3. North Pond.
 - a. Pressure is being applied to DCR to release the contract for this year's maintenance, in particular to deploy the milfoil fragment collection barrier at the entrance to North Pond. (This has since occurred thanks to the unrelenting pressure from Mike.)
 - b. The milfoil survey just conducted by SWQC showed little rooted milfoil in North Pond, likely because the spring has been cold. Water visibility was poor and this may have limited observations. Rooted milfoil was observed in Snake Brook Cove and Middle Pond, however.
4. Heard Pond. A contract for this year's harvesting has been requested from Lycott, the selected contractor. The contract will be below \$5,000.
5. Susan Flint of OAR attended the meeting, and a lengthy discussion was held with her about the condition of the Sudbury River, sampling techniques, results, and how SWQC members might be able to help, perhaps in monitoring the river portion that flows through Wayland. A sampling training program will be held in early May, and several committee members will likely attend.
6. It was voted 5-0 to have only one meeting in each of May and June.
7. The committee voted 5-0 to adjourn at about 8:45 PM