

## Minutes of Wayland SWQC 20 June, 2012 Meeting

Prepared by Bob Goldsmith

Present: Toni Moores (by telephone), Bob Goldsmith, Lin Bradford, Mike Lowery

The meeting came to order at 7:35 PM. There was no public comment.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved 4-0
2. Heard Pond. No report
3. Dudley Pond.
  - a. The divers surveying the pond are finding areas of milfoil returning. To date, 5,855 plants have been pulled, at a cost of about \$9,000. Plant density is generally low to moderate and likely amenable to hand pulling only. Mike will meet with the divers in the first weekend of July to review weed populations and to discuss whether spot treatment is warranted in some locations. This will be reviewed at the next SWQC meeting.
  - b. Mike will prepare a spreadsheet giving number of plants pulled per year over the years since the last Sonar treatment, to help the committee assess the effectiveness of extensive hand pulling.
  - c. The pond turbidity has been high for a few days. If this continues, Mike will filter a sample so we can assess the nature of the solids causing turbidity, e.g., algae.
  - d. Mike has hired two college juniors (one living on the pond) for assistance in various tasks, esp. marking milfoil locations for divers with small bouys. This is working out well.
  - e. Mike is to schedule a presentation to ConCom on status
4. North Pond
  - a. DASH cleaning is complete. A wide channel has been cleaned between the boat launch area in Middle Pond toward the underpasses into North Pond. DCR will request some modest rework.
  - b. The channel cleaning appears to have reduced noticeably the fragments collected on the capture net at the entrance to North Pond. Benthic mats are to be laid in the channel soon.
  - c. Hand pulling in North Pond by Lycott, under their DCR contract, in North Pond will start this weekend. Seven days are planned.
5. Other
  - a. Mike attended a DCR meeting to announce the cost shared programs for this year. Lake Cochituate received two of the three awarded for weed control. Mike will present the certificate announcing the Wayland SWQC award to the Selectmen at a future meeting.
  - b. A presentation of the East Dudley Pond septic study needs to be scheduled for the Selectmen and the Planning Board.
  - c. The potential for two distributed innovative/alternative septic systems on the east side of Dudley Pond was discussed.
  - d. The two next meetings will be held on **July 11** and **July 25**.
6. The committee voted 4-0 to adjourn at about 8:30 PM.