

Revised (11/15/2012) Minutes of Wayland SWQC 11 October, 2012 Meeting

Prepared by Bob Goldsmith

Present: Toni Moores (by call-in), Bob Goldsmith, Lin Bradford, Mike Lowery, Tom Largy, George Harris

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. Toni summarized his water column sampling and analysis results. The entropic index is “high mesotrophic”, better than last year but not great.
 - b. Mike reported on milfoil plants pulled this year, at about 30,000 plants, significantly above last year’s count. The warm weather is leading to continued growth with water temperature at 60°F, and hand pulling will continue aggressively through the month. Dense areas include Peters and Filurna coves, and large root balls are still found. A map of pulled areas is attached.
 - c. The first confirmed evidence of *cyanobacteria* was reported by the State. Levels were below the State threshold for concern. Testing will continue. (See attachments)
 - d. Invoices from Ted Fiust (Aquatic Vision) for \$3,555 and Allison LaClair for \$2,385 for hand pulling were approved, 5.0.
3. Heard Pond. Tom reported the harvesting season is over, with a “couple of thousand” water chestnut plants removed by Lycott’s hand pulling, the number continuing to fall by year.
4. North Pond.
 - a. Mike will ask Tom Flannery for Lycott’s report from DCR for the 2012 season.
 - b. Mike will also request removal of the weed capture barrier.
5. OML Complaint
 - a. The OML violation filed by George Harris was discussed. Mr. Harris talked about the complaint rationale and content, and prior complaints he had filed against other boards, for about 15 minutes.
 - b. The committee voted first 3-2 for Bob to contact Mark Lanza to prepare the legally-required responses, then after discussion, re-voted 5-0 for Bob to contact Mark Lanza to prepare the legally-required responses. [Added later: This was done on 15 October and draft letters are expected shortly.]
6. Budget for FY14
 - a. A preliminary discussion of possible actions for next year was held. Bob is to prepare a draft budget and circulate to members for review, revision, and approval at our next meeting to meet the October 31 submission deadline. [Added later: This has been done.]
7. The next meeting will be October 24.
8. Yet another batch, as for every prior recent meeting, of Lin’s wife’s (Joan) cookies was distributed to all, with much appreciation expressed.
9. The committee voted 5-0 to adjourn at about 9:00 PM.

Possible Cyanobacteria at Mansion Beach, 4 October 2012





Areas of Dudley Pond Hand Pulled In October

