

NAME OF BOARD/COMM: Surface Water Quality Committee

FILED BY: Bob Goldsmith, Co-chairman

DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday May 19, 2015

TIME OF MEETING: 7:30 PM

PLACE OF MEETING: Wayland Town Building

ATTENDING: Bob Goldsmith, Lin Bradford, Mike Lowery and Toni Moores

MINUTES

1. The meeting came to order at 7:30 PM
2. No public comments
3. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved 3-0
4. Toni Moores joined the meeting by telephone (due to geographic distance)
5. Dudley Pond
 - a. Mike will request a four-month extension to ConCom's Order of Conditions and Permit under 322-698 DEP for diver hand pulling of weeds. Vote of 3-0, Toni not yet participating
 - b. A new NOI will be filed with ConCom for herbicide application, mechanical weed harvesting and hand pulling. Mike expects to have this ready in early June.
 - c. Mike commented that there has been a lot of algae this spring. The water level is down, below the bottom grate about 6-7 inches, due to dry spring.
 - d. Toni has had no response from ACT/Lycott about the desirability of alum treatment for phosphorus precipitation.
 - e. Toni is preparing a report on water quality based on sampling and analysis this spring. The sampling was a month late due to a late ice-out. No phosphorus observed, likely due to late sampling. Secchi readings were good, ca. 11.5 feet.
 - f. Mike has asked ConCom for a Certificate of Compliance under our last order of conditions and permit.
6. Heard Pond
 - a. Mike advised that the BoPW is very concerned about the road deterioration and sharp fall-off at Heard Pond. Stubby will talk with Brian Monahan about what ConCom will allow under an emergency order. This hazard needs to be addressed soon or the BoPW will close Pelham island Road.
7. Lake Cochituate/North Pond.
 - a. Senator Linsky, who lives on the lake has asked the senate to approve \$350,000 to "eradicate" weeds in the pond.
8. Mill Pond (Tom).
 - a. The committee approved by a 4-0 roll call vote awarding a contract to ACT/Lycott for hydroraking leaf debris from the northern portion of the pond. This is scheduled for early June.
 - b. ConCom has approved and issued the necessary permits.
 - c. Mike advised that the Park Department will be adding amenities. A park will be named

“Adams Park”, after the donor of the pond and land.

9. Other

- a. The committee voted 4-0 (roll call vote) to approve purchase of three sets of waders at \$70 each plus tax and shipping costs. Tom will buy these.
 - b. In Toni’s and Bob’s absence in June, Mike will chair meetings. Roll call vote, 4-0
10. Invoices approved: Tom Largy expense report for purchased materials for \$74.26; Nashoba Analytical for \$1539 for water sample analyses; Lin Bradford for \$156 for groin materials for weed capture net in North Pond; and Gate House Media for \$32.78 for Mill Pond vegetation removal notice. Roll call vote of 4-0.
11. Next meeting date not scheduled.
12. Adjourned by a roll call vote of 4-0 at about 8:30 PM.