## **TOWN OF WAYLAND - MINUTES**

NAME OF BOARD/COMM: Surface Water Quality Committee

FILED BY: Lisa Newton, Member
DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday October 17, 2017

TIME OF MEETING: 7:30 PM

PLACE OF MEETING: Town Building, Senior Center

ATTENDING: Tom Largy, Lisa Newton, Mike Lowery (acting chair), Toni Moores (by telephone due to

geographic distance).

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1. Approval of minutes – unanimous.

- 2. Public Comments none.
- 3. Dudley Pond Mike Lowery
  - a. Milfoil. Over the course of the summer, a total of 292 milfoil plants were pulled from several locations including Darak cove, outlet cove, SE portion of pond. We may need third diver next year.
  - b. Trash: Over the summer, 100 gallons of trash were collected, including 8 tires, 30 golf balls and 32 gallons of recyclable plastics.
  - c. Mansion beach was closed for several weeks this summer due to E. Coli contamination, goose repellent helped.
  - 4. Heard Pond Tom Largy
    - a. Water Chestnut: Final water chestnut report not yet available.
    - b. Order of conditions for use of Diquat for milfoil control was issued, but project can't be completed as approved. The OOC stipulates less than one gallon per acre and Diquat must be used at higher concentrations. We may need to resubmit NOI.
    - c. Milfoil status: Milfoil has reappeared in pond.
    - d. Testing: We discussed the possibility of testing the pond at least once each summer to determine oxygen, nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations.
  - 5. Lake Cochituate Mike Lowery
    - a. Drawdown: DCR has proposed a 3.5 foot drawdown of Lake C. to allow construction of new boat ramp in fall 2018. ConCom is concerned about lowering the level to this extent. Mike has written a note to Linda Hansen (Conservation Administrator) and will write a note to Asa Foster (Recreation Commission Chair) and Chris Maietta (Chair Wayland-Weston rowing association) asking about concerns.
  - 6. Mill Pond nothing to report.
  - 7. Committee member's reports and concerns.
    - a. Lisa expressed concern that proposed "Brookside" development at former Mahoney's site on Rte. 20 may pose a risk to groundwater and native brook trout in Pine Brook. Increased runoff from impervious surfaces and sewage treatment effluent could adversely affect water quality, increasing nutrient inflows and raising the temperature of the brook. Lisa will write a letter to ZBA expressing concern and asking for environmental assessments.
    - b. We have received a letter from Mary Antes regarding the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Wild and Scenic Rivers program asking if there is something SWQC might do to acknowledge this. In response, SWQC would like to more closely monitor the levels of nutrients being discharged into the Sudbury River by the Wayland WWTP. Mike will write a letter to Fred Knight (chair WWMDC) asking for the last 3 discharge sampling reports.
  - 8. Next meeting date Tuesday 21 November 2017, 7:30 pm
  - 9. Invoice Approval.

David Pool, \$517.50 for diving

Allison LaClaire, \$1260.00 for diving.

10. Adjournment – unanimous approval to adjourn at 9:00 pm