



Town of Southwick

Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held September 22, 2022 7:00 P.M. via online Zoom video call, with attendance as follows:

		Voting	Present	Absent
Norm Cheever	Member	Yes	X	
Mike Coombs	Member	Yes		X
Malcolm DeBay	Member	Yes	X	
Mike DeBay	Member	Yes		X
Dick Grannells	Chair	Yes	X	
Scotty Graves	Member	Yes	X	
Karen Shute	Secretary	No	X	
Deborah Herath	Member	Yes	X	
Eric Mueller	Vice-Chair	Yes	X	
Paul Murphy	Member	Yes		X
Ken Phillips	Associate	No		X
Rick Wylot	Associate	No		X

Guest(s): Diane, Peter Currier, Corinne

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Members reviewed the minutes from the 9/8/2022 meeting. **A motion was made by Deb to accept the minutes as written. Malcom seconded the motion and all voted in favor.**
3. Public Comments – No public comment.
4. Con Com Update (Norm) – 8 Shore Road Tree removal within 100' buffer zone was approved and stumps are to remain. They are replacing removed trees with 2 new trees. E.coli tests and reporting was discussed. 141 Congamond Road sewer pump alarms were discussed. Norm went to North Pond conservation land and cleaned it 3 times, finding lots of broken glass. There needs to be more meetings about the land and water issues.
5. Master Plan Subcommittee (MPSC) Update (Norm) – 900 surveys submitted regarding on Town strengths and weakness. A 10/13 MSPC public meeting is planned, along with warrant article for 2023 Annual Town Meeting. Four lake questions were included the survey:
 1. Town of Southwick has been successful in improving the water quality of Congamond lakes.
 2. Town of Southwick has been successful in controlling invasive weeds in Congamond lakes.
 3. Measures such as dredging should be taken to improve the water quality and water flow.
 4. Congamond is over-crowded with watercraft.
6. Members agreed that the next Lake Management meeting (10/13/22) should be cancelled to allow LMC members to participate in the MSPC 10/13/22 hybrid public meeting.

7. CRC update- Golf tournament was a huge success. CRC surveyed members and members are not in favor of the Marina at 141 Congamond Road. CRC will send DEP their comments on the 141 Chapter 91 License Application.
8. 141 Congamond Road (dba Crabby Joe's) – Dick has been in contact with MassDOT Real Estate Director, along with D2 Operations and Traffic Engineers about what can and cannot be done in the MassDOT federally funded Congamond Road safety improvements 2018 project that was completed in late 2019. The main concerns are the proposed removal and/or modification of granite curbs, Cape Cod berms and reducing the "island" width to accommodate parking of vehicles in the Congamond Road right-of-way.
9. 101 Point Grove Road (dba Louie B's) – The court hearing was postponed after Jen Nolasko's attorney requested postponement due to a scheduling conflict.
10. 159 Berkshire Ave- Hearing Kyle Scott Jon Goddard
11. The Office of Fishing & Boating Access is looking into Kayak rental at Chris's Auto, across the street from North ramp. 320 CMR 2.00 prohibits conducting any business activities on the State Boat Ramps.
12. **Scotty made a motion to adjourn. Eric seconded the motion and all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Shute - Secretary

cc (15): Ag Com, BOH, Con Com, DPW, Fin Com, Historical Com, J. Middleton (email), Park & Rec, Planning Board, SPD Chief/Harbormaster, K. Scott, Select Board, K. Stinehart, Town Clerk, File (1)