



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

# Town of Southwick

## Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held May 10, 2018, 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall College Highway, Southwick, MA, with attendance as follows:

		Voting	Present	Absent
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
Sue Hepburn	Secretary	No	X	
Deborah Herath	Member	Yes	X	
Eric Mueller	Vice-Chair	Yes		X
Ken Phillips	Member	Yes	X	
Steve Schmid	Member	No	X	
Rick Wylot	Member	Yes		X

Guest(s): Norm Cheever, 100 Berkshire Ave, Southwick, MA

- 1. Deb made a motion to accept the minutes from the April, 26, 2018 meeting as written. Ken seconded, all were in favor and the motion passed.**
- Lake Level - 224.16 and dropping slowly
- LLP Dock Requests - 133 North Lake Ave., owner Trey Waversak, wants to add a dock off the old Tow Path and is also asking if he can restore a stone wall along the shoreline that belongs to Southwick. He is citing Gary Delcamp as his neighbor and as someone who has done this with success before. After some discussion, Dick is going to write a letter to the Con Com, stating our concerns about the point being blocked off for others use and you can only build a dock on land one owns. However, there are numerous examples of docks off the Tow Path and Lilly Drive and LMC feels that either all are okay as long as they do not block cross-access (or all must be removed).
- 70 Sunset - There is no dock out there now. His planned wall drawings do not reflect what was described by the contractor (as being built in the water). Con Com is looking further into this as many of the lots on Sunset Drive were expanded into the lake (Massachusetts water) by the developer.
- Louie B's - It was on Facebook that Jen was renting out boat slips. The lake is already overcrowded - see boat census. Members felt that Congamond simply cannot handle another marina! **Mike D. made a motion that the overcrowding is a major issue and that there is no room to handle another marina. Mike C. seconded, Deb abstained and the motion passed.**
- Weed Removal - Following a discussion about homeowners requesting permission to have a company "harvest" weeds in front of their homes... Homeowners need permits to mechanically remove all the weeds in front of their homes.

7. Alum Treatment Funding - Dick sent out another letter to our Legislators. The lakes are on a slippery slope with the current phosphorus levels. Funding is needed now to allow treatment this fall. It is desirable to treat at the end of October , then shut down the lakes for 4 or 5 weeks.
8. Docks can go into the water after "Ice out" and there is no set calendar date.
9. CRC Lake Clean-up - June 2nd! Dick will try to borrow a barge . CRC and LMC members will be working at various locations around the lake. Steve volunteered to speak with the reporter. Volunteers should meet at 9:00 AM at the North Ramp gazebo.
10. **Steve made a motion to adjourn and Ken seconded. All were in favor. Our meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm**
11. Our next scheduled meeting will be held on May 24, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan A. Hepburn - Secretary

Cc (11): BOH, Con Com, DPW, Fin Com, Historical Com, J. Middleton (email), Park & Rec, Planning Board, SPD Chief/Harbormaster, K. Stinehart, Town Clerk, File (1)