



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

# Town of Southwick

## Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held April 11, 2019, 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall College Highway, Southwick, MA, with attendance as follows:

		Voting	Present	Absent
Norm Cheever	Associate	No		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
	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): None

1. Members reviewed the minutes from March 14, 2019. A **motion was made by Malcolm D. to accept the minutes. Rick W. seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.**
2. 5 & 9 Lakeview Street LPP - Dick was notified that SPD plans to check ownership of boats docked at these five docks as they do not appear to meet the "accessory use" per the DEP criteria for said five (5) docks. Also, the mobile home is not permitted in Southwick and the Building Inspector ordered that it be removed by the owner. Dick will check with Con Com about the current permitting status of the docks associated with these properties.
3. 129 North Lake Avenue LPP/Chapter 91 License - The DEP had rescinded the Chapter 91 License and there appears to be no valid Chapter 91 License or LPP Permit for any of the three covered structures. Dick will request Con Com to look further into this matter.
4. 70 Sunset Drive LPP - The owner, Mr. Karl Schmidt stopped by to see Dick about the dock and dredging. Mr. Schmidt noted that he only plans to put out 75' of dock as he was told by DEP that he could not dredge. Dick asked for more information as LMC has had numerous dredging projects on Congamond over the years.
5. 142 Berkshire Avenue LPP - Mr. Scuderi permanently removed and hauled away the dock that was in the ice over the winter and does not plan to replace it as the property is reportedly up for sale.
6. 12 Berkshire Avenue LPP - Dennis Clark contacted the owner about removing the dock that was in the ice and is now partially submerged. The owner plans to remove same.

7. Alum Treatment - Dick was informed by Representative Boldyga that he currently does not see any State funding being available for the alum treatment and it was suggested that the Town/LMC contact Congressman Rich Neal as he is now chair of the House Ways and Means Committee.
8. North Pond PWC Operation - Dick has ordered new 24" x 36" and 12" x 18" NO PWC IN NORTH POND... signs that cite the new bylaw that prohibits PWC operation in North Pond. These signs will be installed at the culvert entrance to North Pond and at the boat ramps, respectively.
9. 84 Point Grove Road LPP - Dick and Dennis Clark met with Mr. Michael Panella to view the dock (located in the southwestern corner of North Pond) as it was being installed to ensure that it left adequate clearance for neighboring docks. While it appears to be okay as positioned, one of the neighboring docks was not yet in the water so some further adjustment may be needed.
10. Suffield LPP - Dick provided copies of the signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to that unfortunately neither LMC nor Con Com were able to review and comment on before it was signed. Members expressed concern about the lack of specific language about boat stickers and enforcement of the LPP and boat stickers. Members also wondered if Suffield Officials knew that they would be paying for stickers for boats that did not necessarily belong to Suffield residents.
11. North Pond Land Preservation - Both funding articles for this land passed at the Special Town Meeting and the Town hopes to close on the property sometime in May.
12. Safe Boating Class - Dick reminded members that there will be a 4-session Safe Boating Class that will be conducted Monday April 22 thru Thursday April 25 in Southwick Town Hall Community Room.
13. LMC Openings - Dick reminded members that we are still seeking to fill a Ramp Coordinator/ Secretary position, a Ramp Maintenance/Attendant position and Ramp Attendant positions and asked if anyone knew of anyone who might be interested. Sue Hepburn offered to come back as the Ramp Coordinator until we are able to find a suitable replacement.
14. Dick explained that Southwick DPW is applying for two Mass MVP grants. One grant application is to design and permit the dredging of Canal Brook and the second is to design and permit a replacement bridge for an aging undersized culvert on Klaus Anderson Road just east of Curtis Road. The plan is to then apply for phase two grants to do the actual work at these sites.
15. Deb noted that the CRC Annual Lake Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday June 8 and that volunteers are needed to help clean the canal of tree debris. We will seek assistance from Suffield and Southwick DPW to haul away materials removed from the canal.
- 16. A motion to adjourn was made by Deb H. Mike D. seconded. All voted in favor and our meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.**
17. Our next scheduled meeting will be held on April 25, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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Richard Grannells - Chair

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)