



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town of Southwick

Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held June 13, 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 | |
| Annie Hanson | 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): Paul Murphy - 80 Point Grove Rd, Southwick

1. Members reviewed the minutes from May 23, 2019. **A motion was made by Mike D. to accept the minutes. Scotty G. seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.**
2. North Pond Land - Dick was advised by Dennis Clark that they are now just waiting for a closing date.
3. 101 Point Grove Road (Louis B's/Wok on The Water) - Louis B's is now Wok on The Water. Members discussed the growing number (now 4) of boats moored at this facility that has not yet been approved by the Planning Board for slip rentals due to issues with insufficient dedicated parking. The associated docks are only permitted to be used by boater patrons during restaurant operating hours. It was also observed that none of these moored boats have the required LPP boat stickers. It was requested that both of these apparent violations be expeditiously addressed. Dick will ask Con Com to send letters to boat owners regarding stickers and the Planning Board to address the mooring rental violations. Following a comment made by Ms. Nolasko to PB about why vehicles with trailers were in the adjacent Public Parking Area, Dick provided copies of the applicable information EXHIBIT B REQUIRED OPERATIONS and EXHIBIT C REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS from the Commonwealth/ Town contract for the Public Parking Area. Exhibit B states "1. The Premises shall be made available for shoreline fisherman and tournament fisherman under "overflow" conditions during Saturdays, Sundays and holidays and to the general public for parking purposes at all other times. General parking shall be allowed on weekends and holidays only insofar as it does not interfere or limit the aforementioned parking for fishermen." Clearly, the Commonwealth did not deem use by restaurant/bar patrons as a priority in this parking area. In fact, the guardrail used to be continuous along the boundary between the restaurant and the public parking area.
4. 12 Berkshire Avenue LPP (Glembocki) - The dock has been removed from the water.
5. 84 Point Grove Road (Panella) LPP - Paul Murphy brought copies of maps showing the relationship between his dock/boats at 80, an easement & mooring at 82 and the dock/boats Panella property at 84. Paul tried to go into detail about this but was reminded that the

information was not provided in advance of the LMC meeting as required and also has to be presented to Con Com in advance of their meeting as Con Com, not LMC, enforces the LPP.

6. Lake Treatment - Dick provided copies of treatment map and noted that ~24 acres were treated for Eurasian Watermilfoil and/or Curly Leaf Pondweed on 6/10/19.
7. CRC Lake Cleanup - Members noted the success the event that had some 15 - 18 volunteers along with two Southwick DPW workers and a backhoe. Collectively, they removed numerous tires, large branches and debris from the canal. Many thanks to all for a job well done.
8. CRC Boat Parade - Deb noted that the annual CRC Boat Parade will be Saturday 7/6 starting at Babb's Beach at 5:00 PM. A Light Up The Congamond Lakes is planned at dusk. Waterfront residents on all 3 ponds are encouraged to line their beaches with Tiki torches.
9. Deb noted that the 5/31/19 Babb's Plaque Dedication Ceremony was a great success.
10. CRC Meeting 6/11/19 - Deb noted that ~30 people attended the meeting. Dick presented information on the lake treatment, water quality, boating bylaws and boating safety. Many of those present complained about the nighttime speeding, wrong-way operation and lack of police patrols. LMC members echoed the CRC inputs, especially over the Memorial Day weekend and also the North Pond culvert issues about line-of-sight and who goes first.
11. 11 Beach Road LPP (Jenkins) - Dick noted that Mr. Jenkins transferred the property to his daughter who wants a dock off the Town Beach. It appears that conditions set by Town counsel at the time placed on installing such a dock a decade ago were not met. Mr. Jenkins was supposed to research all the deeds in that subdivision to determine if his was the only one with deeded access rights. Dick will discuss with Park & Rec and Con Com.
12. 141 Congamond Road (Crabby Joe's) Chapter 91 License - Mr. Mark O'Neill (Hamlet Homes) is looking to purchase the subject property, demolish the building and build a new restaurant on the property. He also wants to rent boat slips. Unfortunately, Con Com discovered that the required Chapter 91 License for commercial docks was never recorded by Mr. Scuderi. It is therefore invalid. Mr. O'Neill is working with Con Com to apply for a new Chapter 91 License. Also, boat slip rental represents a change of use, dedicated on-site parking spaces and Planning Board approval of the new facility, use and parking. The old parking layout showing parking for 82 vehicles was grossly incorrect as the building, usable parking area and Town right-of-way were incorrectly shown. Some of the parking spaces shown are over the cliff while others are in the footprint of the actual building that is drawn incorrectly or in the Town right-of-way of the adjacent roadways. Town Planner, Alan Slessler, told Dick that a new detailed parking plan will have to be presented to the Planning Board.
13. Members requested an update on the status of Congamond Road project, which Dick provided.
14. There was a brief discussion about boat right-of-way entering the culvert to North Pond as there apparently were some serious issues over the weekend. Dick will add this to the next agenda.
15. **A motion to adjourn was made by Scotty G. Deb H. seconded. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.**
16. The next meeting is scheduled for June 27, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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)