



Town of Southwick

Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held October 8, 2020, 7:00 P.M. via online Zoom videocall, 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	
Annie Hanson	Secretary	No	X	
Deborah Herath	Member	Yes	X	
Eric Mueller	Vice-Chair	Yes	X	
Paul Murphy	Member	No	X	
Ken Phillips	Associate	No		X
Rick Wylot	Associate	Yes		X

Guest(s):

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Members reviewed the minutes from of 9/24/2020. **A motion was made by Malcom accept the minutes and Deb seconded. The vote was unanimous.**
3. Con com update
ConCom approved the dock at 14 Berkshire Avenue. ConCom did not take any votes on residents signing LPP rules, though Norm mentioned they majority was not in favor for signatures.
4. Sign LPP rules
Chief Bishop and Dennis Clark mentioned that the signing of rules is not going to work with residents, as it there has been similar ideas tried in the past. **Eric made a motion to accept dropping the issue of signing the lake rules and Malcom seconded. The vote was unanimous.**
5. Agenda Cleanup
LMC members deleted some old business due to lack of need and/or use of these subjects. These topics included putting Norm's ConCom update under new business. Also, 101 Point Grove Road because there was no issue this year. Turtle Cove is a very old topic. 641 Forest road will also be deleted, as this man is in Connecticut, so LMC has no authority over this issue. The lift survey is also not an issue for LMC, but for ConCom. **Mike C made a motion to delete these off the agenda, Malcom seconded. The vote was unanimous.** Fertilizer application, pet waste and cigarette butts were also removed. **Eric made a motion to remove these topics and Malcom seconded. The vote was unanimous.** Before aircraft operation gets taken off the agenda, members plan to allow Dick to speak on this topic when he returns.

6. Lake level
The lake level is still down to 224 feet and 2 inches.
7. 140 Summer Drive
Dennis of ConCom has requested more information.
8. 112 Berkshire ave
The homeowner has decided on building a vinyl wall.
9. 34 Grove Street
Eric sees no objection over the newest drawing, as there is nothing being done in the water. Mike D agrees. Norm will tell ConCom that this is not an LMC issue as long as there is no structures in the water.
10. North Ramp Docks
The docks will be removed on the 17th of October. Several members of LMC will be volunteering as well as some people from DPW. DPW will take care of the buoys once the buoys are out of the water. This will happen the week of the 19th. The volunteers included Norm, Malcom, Mike D., Mike C., Norm and Paul. The buoys are tentatively being removed on October 19. The south ramp docks do not have a date set up to be removed as of yet. Volunteers for buoy removal included Mike C., Mike D., Norm, and Paul.
11. Winter meeting dates
October 22, November 12, December 10, January 14 and February 11
12. Reading lake level
LMC wants to get a new level to monitor the lake level and put it in another location. The one that is used now is very uneasy to read.
13. Geese
The geese can be a big issue to water quality. Eric mentioned asking the State wildlife or DEP for recommendations on what to do with this issue.
14. **A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scotty and Eric seconded. The vote was unanimous and the meeting was adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,

Annalia Hanson - 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)