

# Town of Southwick

# **Lake Management Committee**

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Minutes of meeting held March 11, 2021, 7:00 P.M. via online Zoom videocall, with attendance as follows:

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

Guest(s): Jerry Patria, Michelle Pratt, Sharon Jones, Marc Bellaud, Dominic Meringolo

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Members reviewed the minutes from March. No changes were made. A motion was made to accept the minutes with the change by Mike D and Eric seconded.
- 3. Public Comment

Michelle Pratt talked to Chief Bishop about lighting with buoys. Dick mentioned that they were constantly destroyed. Michelle would like to discuss this more at the next meeting.

#### 4. Alum Treatment

Dom and Marc, who contributed to the alum treatment mentioned that they obtained the goal that was put in place for the alum treatment. Dominic mentioned that the lake could see more improvement this year over last year. Ken Wagner told Dominic that there is still the 'good' algae in the lake, which is very improvement. Eric also noted that the clarity for this time of year is the highest it has been in over 15 years. Alewives have limited the benefit that the lake could achieve, but the benefits have been incredible. Dominic also mentioned that SOLITUDE will be doing some weed control this year. There will like,lu be an increase in plants ABOUT 20 minutes IN. Dick will update the agricultural commission on the upcoming treatments.

#### **5.** ConCom Update

At the March 15 meeting, there was some discussion on the LPP Application. Concom believes that this was clerical and not necessary. 56 Berkshire plans were approved.

7-9, there are multiple docks allowed. These are two properties, and it is okay that there can be multiple docks. Eric mentioned that this is still on the agenda because these properties are using their docks to rent out to boat owners.

<u>129 North Lake- The DEPnpulled their Chapter 91 license, so this will remain on the agenda.</u> <u>641 Forst Road-</u>

140 Summer drive- the owner has a valid Chapter 91license.

#### **6.** LPP Application

The lift questions were not included in the yearly application. The application also did not include the new registration that LMC worked hard on, which included that each owner must add more information to prevent any loopholes with 'mini marinas'. It's unfortunately too late to include these changes this year.

## 7. SPD Boathouse

Dick is still working hard to get the SPD boathouse on the land at the North Ramp

### **8.** Canal Brook Weir Gates

<u>Southwick DPW cleaned out the weir gates.ADD MORE. Malcom and Mike D. mentioned that the</u> beavers are eating trees.

- 9. 43 mins approx
- **10.** Crc

<u>Unfortunately, the banners cannot go on the buoys. However, they can be put on the bulletin boards at each ramp.</u>

#### **11.** North Ramp docks

The north ramp dock wheels were fixed by OFBA. Ramp attendant, Ken also assisted in helping. LMC fully appreciates all who assisted in the dock repairs. The docks will be going in on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. South ramp docks have already been put in.

- **12.** <u>50 MINUTES IN</u>
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- 16.
- **17.**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scotty and Deb seconded. The vote was unanimous and the meeting was adjourned.

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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)