



Town of Southwick

Lake Management Committee

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Minutes of meeting held September 8, 2022 7:00 P.M. via online Zoom video call, 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	
Karen Shute	Secretary	No	X	
Deborah Herath	Member	Yes	X	
Eric Mueller	Vice-Chair	Yes		X
Paul Murphy	Member	Yes	X	
Ken Phillips	Associate	No		X
Rick Wylot	Associate	No		X

Guest(s): Angelina Simone, Michelle Pratt, Marissa Dubay, Peter Carrier, Daryl X

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Members reviewed the minutes from the 8/25/22 meeting. **A motion was made by Mike DeBay to accept the minutes as written. Paul seconded the motion and all voted in favor.**
3. Public Comments – No public comment.
4. Con Com Update – Tri-PBJ Marina has a large beaver hut adjacent to their docks that they would like to see removed. It was explained that a permit is required from Con Com and possibly Board of Health. The beavers will have to be removed from the hut before it can be removed. Con Com discussed the proposed 150' docks at 141 Congamond Road and agree that the docks could cause a hazard to boaters. They would like to see the docks be 100' long. Con Com is considering dawn-to-dusk time limits on their properties. Norm Cheever was appointed to the Conservation Commission.
5. Master Plan – Over 800 surveys have been submitted by the public and there will be a public meeting once the survey results have been summarized.
6. CRC Update – There is a benefit golf tournament September 17. CRC did a survey regarding the proposed marina at 141 Congamond Road and the majority of members are against having another marina. On September 13, Eric Mueller and possibly Ken Wagner will join him to talk about E.coli.
7. 141 Congamond Road – The letter with LMC's position on the Chapter 91 License Application that covers the proposed docks at 141 will be sent to DEP on September 12, with copies to Planning Board, Select Board, Con Com, DPW Director, Harbormaster and other Town officials.
8. Lake level – The lake level is a little low at 224.29' MSL following about 5 inches of rain which helped.

9. Water Quality – LMC, CRC, Select Board and Board of Health will be meeting in the fall to discuss more monitoring, testing and notification process.
10. Night Boating – Members noted the many boats that still speed and operate at night without lights.
11. NO DIVING SWIMMING culvert signs are worn out or missing. Dick has ordered new 18" x 24" signs.
12. Scotty, John Blakeley & others cleaned out the Weir gates. Lots of rocks & debris. CRC is volunteering to help clear accumulating debris from in front of the weir gates.
13. Dick ordered the driver for the new Great Brook weir gates which should be shipped in 2 weeks.
14. **Scotty made a motion to adjourn and Norm seconded the motion. All in favor and meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Shute - Secretary

cc (15): Ag Com, BOH, Con Com, DPW, Fin Com, Historical Com, J. Middleton (email), Park & Rec, Planning Board, SPD Chief/Harbormaster, K. Scott, Select Board, K. Stinehart, Town Clerk, File