

Lake Management Advisory Committee

Agenda

Minutes of the Meeting

May 3, 2017

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Michael Gnazzo Wednesday May 3, 2017 at 7: 36 P.M.

Present: David Vanderbilt, Robert Powell, Karl Then, Phyllis Dunn, Mary Roickle, Henry Beck, Dan O’Neil, Carl Foster, John Burrell, Mark Walters

Absent: James Santos, Steve Harrington

Minutes: Minutes of the meeting were read. One abstention -Henry Beck, Minutes Approved.

Guest Speakers: Andrea Drabecki 131 Rt 87 Columbia. Representing Environmental Advisory Committee. –Their mission is public outreach and communication on Town affairs.

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Audience of Citizens: David Rossetto, Rossetto Builders, Mystic, Ct. Representing Emma Nyardi, Erdoni Rd. Discussion on repair of dock. Suggestion to resubmit the request to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

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Communications: Mark Walters – Emergency Action Columbia Lake Dam (EAP) update given to the gatekeeper – Date to be determined - October Deadline

Committee Reports:

Dam: 1 check 5-2
Gate closed
Face dry
Water level Minus 11 inches“
Weep hole 1- 10 % , 2 running 7%
Water Temperature 62 Degrees

Water Quality: Good- phosphate low,

Fishing: Nothing to report

Access & Safety: Inspected 10 boats - 5 were fishing boats
Boat launch gate is open

Columbia Boat and Water Regulations:

Gate opened early April 22, 2017 Hours of Operation limited
New ordinance - citizens request repeal of current amendment
Present new language and procedures.

Inspection procedure –to require a self- study course´ - to read the boating regulations on invasive species, complete a certification form which is to be given to the office of the Town administrator as self-certified., basically the honor system.

Michael Gnazzos’ comment “ the certification program is not worth the paper it is written on”

Procedures can be changed by the Board of Selectmen.

Henry Beck suggested the language include the proposed procedures be temporary for the 2017 season with review for replacement in 2018. The ordinance and amendment will be presented at a town meeting on 5-10-17.

Motion made by Mary Roickle that the suggestion be accepted. 2nd by Dan O’Neil. All were in favor.

2nd Motion, by Carl Foster that the April repeal and replace procedural language be clarified to pertain to only the town beach. 2nd Dan O’Neil. All were in favor.

Water Shed Watershed Management Plan:

Nothing to report

Storm Water Culverts:

Nothing to report.

Dam Emergency Plan:

See above comment from Mark Walters

Permit review:

William O’Neil 100 Rt 87 section of stone wall on Turner property
application for Bob Turner approved

Old Business: Nothing

New Business:

David Chase long time member of LMAC is in ill health and is moving out of State. LMAC would like to acknowledge his service with a plaque. Phyllis will follow-up with Mark Coleman. Mike Gnazzo also suggested recognition of our other members as well.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting. Bob Powell , 2nd Mary Roickle All voted in favor.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Submitted by Phyllis Dunn, Secretary