

AGENDA

Lake Boon Commission

7:30 PM, Oct 23, 2019

Stow Town Building

380 Great Road, Stow MA

1. Chairperson Comments
2. Public Comment
3. Meeting Minutes – from 9/11/19 meeting
4. Pay Bills
5. Discussion/Vote re: Grant Opportunity (Water Resources Initiative)
6. Discussion/Vote re: New Police Radio for LBC Boat
7. Discussion/Vote re: Hudson & Stow Town Budget Submissions for LBC
8. Discussion/Vote re: Special Fall Stow Town Meeting & possibility of including the revised LBC ByLaws/Rules
9. Administrative re: Boat & Trailer Registrations
10. Update re: Fall 2019 Drawdown
11. Update re: Solitude Weed Treatment, 9/20/19 Survey
12. Update re: LBC Boat & Buoy Winterization
13. New Business
14. Date of Next Meeting
15. Adjourn

Lake Boon Commission
Meeting Minutes
Oct 23, 2019

A meeting of the Lake Boon Commission was held at the Stow Town Building, 380 Great Road, Stow, MA on Oct 23, 2019 at 7:30 pm.

Members Attending: Kris Krablin (Chairperson), Conray Wharff (Commissioner), Dan Barstow (Clerk)

Meeting Called to Order: 7:30 pm. Meeting was recorded by Stow TV.

Agenda:

Public Comment -

Comment: Don Hawkes wondered if Commissioner Wharff correctly described the policy on patrolling Lake Boon by Stow and Hudson police.

Response: The policy is that any law enforcement officer of the state of MA can write/enforce state law chapter 90B, including local police, state police, and state environment police. Lake Boon commissioners cannot write chapter 90B violations. Lake Boon commissioners and local police can write Lake Boon bi-law violations.

Comment: Laura Diamond asked whether Nashoba Board of Health took any additional measurements of the cyanobacteria.

Response: Nashoba Board of Health took two measurements, and needs to take one more before certifying the lake as healthy.

Comment: David Gray commented that sago weed grows near the dam, about a foot high.

Response: LBC will consider this as part of the Total Lake Management system.

Meeting Minutes -

- 9/11/2019 – Conray made a motion to approve the minutes of the 9/11/2019. Kris seconded. All in Favor. Minutes were approved.

Bills for Payment -

- No bills presented for payment
- RI Analytical & Stow Independent – Dan will bring these two bills to the next meeting

Grant Opportunity -

- Dan described a grant opportunity of \$5K through the Greater Lowell Community Foundation. This grant could support a lake health action plan. However, the deadline was a week away, not giving enough time to develop the proposal, coordinate partners, and give final approval.
- Dan made a motion that LBC pass up on this opportunity, but keep it in mind for the future. Kris seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed.

Hudson & Stow Town Budget Submissions -

- Conray explained that Hudson needs the budget request before the next LBC meeting, whereas Stow's budget can still be deferred. However, since we have not yet approved our LBC budget for next year, we could not specify the amount to communicate to Hudson, but estimated as \$500 (Hudson pays 1/3 of the LBC budget, estimated at \$1,500). As a solution, Conray suggested that we ask for up to \$1,000, giving flexibility to set the actual value based on budget discussions at the next LBC meeting.
- For the next LBC meeting, Kris will bring details of the budget for review.

- Dan made a motion to approve asking for up to \$1,000 from the Hudson Budget. Kris approved. All in favor, the motion passed.

Police Radio -

- We deferred a decision on getting a new police radio for the LBC boat until we have a price quote.

Getting Stow and Hudson approval for revised LBC rules & regulations -

- Over the past couple of years, LBC proposed, reviewed, had public comments and approved new rules and regulations. Those rules still need approval by Hudson and Stow.
- For Stow: The agenda for the Nov 18, 2019 Special Town Meeting in Stow, has already been determined, and does not include the Lake Boon rules. LBC wants to have them included in the spring Stow Town Meeting, and will work out the details as that date approaches.
- For Hudson: Conray explained that Hudson Town Meeting doesn't need to vote on the rules. Instead, after LBC approved the new rules, Conray needed to inform the Hudson Town Clerk, which he did.

Boat and trailer registration -

- Kris explained that the trailer is being registered, but the boat is not, pending a document confirming Stow accepting the donation of the boat to the town.

Lake drawdown update -

- Dan provided an update, that the annual winter drawdown began Oct 10, 2019, with removal of the first board from the dam. The total drawdown of 14" will be completed by Nov 31, per the MA DEP Order of Conditions. Dan also shared data consolidated from various people who measured lake depth from 2011 to the present. Dan thanked Dave Gray, Conray Wharff and Theresa O'Riorden for their diligence!

Solitude weed treatment -

- No update available

Boat and buoy winterization -

- Kris reported that she and a team of volunteers removed the buoys, per standard winterization, and will store them on her property on the lake.
- Conray reported that the LBC boat is now in storage at the old fire station on Hudson Rd.


New Business for Next Meeting

- New business mentioned included:
 - Discuss LBC budget
 - Total Lake Management system
 - Heroes of Lake Boon recognition program

Date of Next Meeting – Nov 20, 2019, 7:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 pm

Approved by LBC on: Nov 20, 2019



Daniel J. Zarrow, clerk