

Lake Boon Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
May 13, 2020

A meeting of the Lake Boon Commission was held on May 13, 2020 at 7:00 pm. The meeting took place by telecommunications using Zoom, because of coronavirus-related state limits on public meetings per the Mar 21, 2020 order of Governor Baker.

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

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:00 pm.

**Agenda:**

**Public Comment -**

- 10 people attended the Zoom teleconference.
- David Gray mentioned the upcoming LBA annual meeting will take place by Zoom on May 31 at 7pm

**Meeting Minutes -**

- 4/16/2020 LBC meeting – With minor edits, Conray moved and Dan seconded approval of the minutes. That motion was unanimously approved.

**Bills for Payment -**

- Several bills were presented and discussed. Conray mentioned that he add other bills that he would scan and forward. Kris moved and Dan seconded approval to pay. That motion was unanimously approved.
  - West Marine \$54.44
  - NAPA \$89.99
  - Solitude \$7,812.50
  - RI Analytical \$39.00
  - Zoom \$29.98
  - Harbor Freight \$34.99

**Recreation Commission Letter -**

- Laura Greenough from the Stow Recreation Department requested authorization to allow renting canoes and kayaks at the town beach. She explained that this would only take place after the town confirms compliance with pandemic response guidelines. Conray moved and Dan seconded to authorize rentals, with Kris to write a letter. That motion was unanimously approved.

**2020 Stow warrant articles -**

- The town meeting was rescheduled to June 22, 2020. This will include a vote on the proposed changes in the Lake Boon rules (the rules developed in 2018, that didn't get on to the 2019 town meeting for procedural reasons).
- Although we had a public hearing a year and a half ago about these rules, we need to do this again because more than a year has gone by. Hence, there will be a town hearing on May 20, 2020 to discuss these proposed changes in town by-laws.

**New Notice of Intent / Order of Conditions Applications**

**1. Weed permit extension**

- The Stow permit extension has already been approved by Stow Conservation Commission
- The Hudson permit extension will go to Hudson Conservation Commission on May 21, 2020
- No motion required on this item.

**2. Drawdown new permit**

- Drawdown permit #299-490A will expire Nov 18, 2020.
- Dan is working on a new Notice of Intent for Stow and Hudson Conservation Commissions
- Kris offered to help by getting the abutter list for Stow, and Conroy offer to get it for Hudson
- No motion required on this item.

**LBC Boat, Buoys/Lights, Trailer & Boat Registrations -**

- Conroy put in the buoys and confirmed that all are in, but the buoy off Pine Point Rd does not have a functioning light.
- Kris confirmed that the trailer and boat registrations are in process.

**MVP Grant Proposal -**

- Dan described a grant opportunity through MA Municipal Vulnerability Program, with proposals due June 11, 2020.
- This program focuses on climate resiliency, with the reasonable assumption that increases in algae blooms and possibly toxic bacteria results in part from warming temperatures.
- Based on planning discussions with Stow, Hudson and Lake Boon Association, a draft plan was developed (see attached one-pager) that would do a broad, integrated analysis of the health of Lake Boon, with multiple measurements from multiple locations over two years, resulting in a plan for remediation.
- LBC would be the applicant, on behalf of Stow and Hudson, with management of the project led by LBA, and the scientific planning, measurement and analysis done by a TBD company specializing in lake systems and biology.
- Citizen Scientists, mostly Lake Boon residents would do much of the data collection at no cost, hence helping to fulfill the 25% cost-sharing requirement.
- In discussions with town officials of Stow and Hudson, both indicated their support, pending review by the respective Conservation Commissions.
- After discussion, Conroy moved and Kris seconded approval to proceed with the proposal. The motion passed unanimously

**New Business for Next Meeting**

- The next two meetings will focus on review and final approval of the MVP proposal
- Review and approval of Stow warrant article for boating regulations

**Date of Next Meeting**

- May 26, 2020, 7 pm
- June 3, 2020, 7 pm

**Meeting Adjourned:**

- Conroy moved, Kris seconded and LBC unanimously approved adjourning.
- Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm

Approved by LBC on: \_\_\_June 16, 2020\_\_\_  
