

Lake Boon Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2020

A meeting of the Lake Boon Commission was held on June 3, 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 –

- David Siewerski, President of Lake Boon Association, commented on the May 31, 2020 virtual meeting of the LBA. About 30 people attended, and it was a productive meeting. It included approval of the MVP proposal for assessing the health of Lake Boon (see item below). Kris Krablin complemented him on a well run meeting.
- David Siewerski also mentioned as an FYI that the Katelle property in Hudson is up for sale. He said it might be worth Hudson town or local foundations, such as Sudbury Valley Trust or Hudson Land Trust, trying to acquire the property to maintain it as a reserve, instead of the proposed 18-lot subdivision. This is not a matter within LBC's jurisdiction.
- Dave Grey mentioned the up-coming Stow Board of Health meeting on June 6, 2020 at 4 pm. Dave said he would attend to discuss testing and public communications about cyanobacteria.

LBC member Comments –

- Kris mentioned that her three-year term ends in June, and that she notified the Stow Selectman that she wants to renew for another three-year term. If others want to be considered, they should notify the Selectmen.
- Conray commented that the Stow Police boat is now in the lake.

Meeting Minutes -

- For the May 13, 2020 meeting, Kris made minor edits. Kris moved approval with those edits. Dan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- For the May 26, 2020 meeting, no edits needed. Kris moved & Dan seconded approval of the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Bills -

- No bills presented for review.

Buoys -

- The missing buoy has been recovered. Conray will confirm the installed locations of two of the buoys and move them if need be.
- Conray suggested purchasing a new tall buoy for the Pine Point location. Kris reported that we only had \$500 left in our budget.

MVP Grant Proposal -

- Dan gave an update on the grant proposal for 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.

- Dave Gray confirmed that the LBA purchased a state-of-the-art YSE device for several measurements of lake health. Those will be part of the proposed work, and have already begun prior to the grant.
- Kirk Westphal and Dave Gray have fine-tuned the list of measurements, estimated costs and volunteer hours for the Citizen Science component.
- Dan has incorporated edits from several reviewers.
- Dan and the proposal team will continue work on the proposal, with a final version for review at the June 9, 2020 meeting
- Dan also reported that Hudson Con Com had deferred to their next meeting (June 18, 2020) to vote on supporting the Weed Treatment permit extension. Kara Sliwoski, the Solitude rep, will participate in that meeting to address questions.
- No action required now.

New Business for Next Meeting

- Draft MVP proposal and letter of support.
- End of year bills
- Update on Solitude and up-coming weed treatment

Date of Next Meeting

- June 9, 2020, 7 pm

Meeting Adjourned:

- Kris moved, Dan seconded and LBC unanimously approved adjourning.
- Meeting adjourned 7:42 pm

Approved by LBC on: June 30, 2020

