

## TOWN OF WAYLAND – MINUTES

NAME OF BOARD/COMM: Wayland Surface Water Quality Committee  
FILED BY: Thomas Klem, Chair  
DATE AND TIME OF MEETING: Monday November 13 2023  
PLACE OF MEETING: Remote

Note: In compliance with the March 12, 2020 Massachusetts Office of the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 20, this meeting of the SWQC was livestreamed on local broadcast on the WayCAM Government Channel and open to the public to view and participate via Zoom. Public Comment was available by in-person attendance and by telephone and Zoom during the time designated for Public Comment. All votes were taken by roll call.

Attendance: Thomas Klem (chair), Carole Plumb, Tom Largy, Norm Marowitz Jack Carr

All votes approved by roll call of individual members

1. Call to Order TK motioned to start 7:04pm. Roll call by each member - 5 present
2. Public Comment – none present
3. Approve minutes from 16 Oct 2023 meeting: TK motion to approve 10/16/2023 MOM, TL second. Approved 5-0 by roll call vote.
4. Update on 06 November presentation before Select Board – Tom Klem presented activities of SWQC. Tom let Select board know about the potential expense to treat Heard Pond in 2024. Part of this funding can come from remaining funds from 2023. Also discussed conveyor cost for Dudley pond of which half might come from Dudley pond association. Bill Whitney inquired about Hamlin woods. This is conservation land, and falls under purview of Conservation Department and Commission.
5. Dudley Pond
  - TK asked about whether it would be possible to show how much tape grass was removed with the harvester, similar to how water chestnut counts are estimated on Heard. To provide some quantifiable metric for comparison year to year.
  - Discussions with Town and Dudley Pond Association re purchase of a conveyor to be used in conjunction with the harvester. In addition to easier unloading of the harvester, additional benefits of conveyor would be not corroding the base of the dumpster (DPW concern; the dumpster is partially in the pond currently for unloading) and not having heavy machinery damage Mansion beach in haul out (the dumpster could be placed closer to the street if there was a conveyor to help with unloading).
  - DPA willing to contribute about half the cost of a conveyor. DPW would also have use for this, independent of Dudley Pond.
  - Tom K. Ask Allison LaClaire to send an expanded write up of this year's harvester results.
  - Tom K. will send invoices to Dudley Pond Association so they can contribute 25% contribution to SWQC. What was balance of funds left after invoices paid (50K for 43K for Solitude and a bunch of \$25K mentions I didn't follow).
  - Ask Tom K. for a written budget sheet- breakout of invoices/payments made?
  - Harvester appears best way (and is currently the only feasible way) to manage tape grass as there's no chemical method and to costly and damaging to dredge pond

6. Heard Pond: Solitude water chestnut report and Notice of Intent for herbicide application next season .

- TK asks if the clearcast needs to be applied early in season or can it be later. TL indicates that if the clear cast is applied close to plant maturity the Clear cast will be ineffective. TK and TL suggest asking for the funds in budget and by late June 2024 or early July a decision can be made.
- TK asks if the harvester could be utilized Heard Pond. TL will determine What it would take to clean harvester each time it is pulled.
- Awaiting quote from Keith Gazelle at Solitude to clear cast application on heard pond and also complete the NOI for use on Heard Pond
- CP: 3220678 NOI for hand pulling . TK indicates this is the ONLY active NOI

6. Lake Cochituate: Notices of Intent with respect to weed management; water chemistry testing and cyanobacteria monitoring; Town of Wayland MS4 compliance.

- CP: working with Abigail – sustainability manager and town of wayland engineer to understand MS4 , determine what testing is occurring currently and does it make sense and what would be costs for Wayland to test North pond . Currently we are working on EPA year 5.
- CP who will bear the cost of additional testing on North Pond Lake Cochituate
- CP provides following information on permits
- march 7 2011 noi 322-0751 Mike Lowery Lake Cochituate Watershed Council. Mutual applicants Natick, Framingham Wayland. Status: expired
- May 31 2021 NOI 322-0972 Tom Flannery DCR – applicant . Status: Active

7. TK: thanks CP for her work in better understanding Town of Wayland plan to repurpose the former DPW location into playing fields.

8. Adjourn – TK motions to close meeting at 8:22pm. Next meeting 11 December 2023. Close meeting vote: In favor, 5-0 by roll call vote.