

Lake Oversight Committee
July 21, 2020
Minutes

LOC Members Present: Chris McCooe, Sam Spratin, Lynn Johnson, Dori Ference, Allen Johnson

LOC Members Absent: Larry Mandell

Quorum: Yes or No

Meeting called to Order at 6:47

OLD BUSINESS

Review & Accept LOC Minutes –

Date of Meeting	Motion	Seconded	In favor	Abstain
June 16, 2020	Lynn	Sam	Lynn, Sam, Chris, Dori	Al
June 29, 2020	Al	Sam	Lynn, Sam, Chris, Dori, Al	

Jay Grant writer DFG-ILF grant - Selectman did not get back to Jay with any response at all. As a result, we will not be submitting an application for this grant.

Draw Down procedures – Sam will modify document created by Larry and send to the group. Sam was interested in knowing the audience of this document. We reviewed the interested parties:

Select Board, Conservation, Town of Union, Highway Department, LOC, FHRA

Update Army Corp, NEANS (Nat'l Pollution Discharge Elimination System, DCR Jim Strab – Tabled until later in summer Al believes this is related to open space and creation of trails at Maybrook Rd. Chris to ask Brian if he knows.

Appointments, Swear in w/Town Clerk, Ethics Test

Al and Dori are both agreeable to assuming the role of Planning Board Rep to LOC.

Sam and Al are all set vis-à-vis being sworn in by Conservation and Planning.

Confirmation of Terms for Chris, Dori and Lynn

Chris 1 year

Dori 2 years

Lynn ?

Chris and Lynn will review previous meeting minutes and document final decisions.

Causeway & Culvert Research sub-committee update – Sam contacted Dam Safety office and submitted request online. Someone finally got back to say they have no information on the Hamilton Reservoir Dam.

Brian may have report 2008 Causeway/Culvert Report and the 2008 Dam Safety report. Al will reach out to try to obtain reports.

Sam has had One meeting with Bob Camay. The virus limitations are making it hard for this committee to gain traction.

National Grid Update – Chris submitted a work order request to get liaison to come look at the poles. She asked to set up some time to talk before the site visit to deliver LOC questions. Liasion did not reach out ahead of time but did look at the poles and decided to refer the review to a Pole Specialist. Chris will reach out and try to start a dialog before the visit. Last major repair in 2008; replaced anchors that hold the poles to the ground. If we are moving forward, they could put a temporary fix as we design a longer-term plan for the causeway.

NEW BUSINESS

Marcia Lee has resigned from the Committee

Ecoli - Bettina will follow up Board of Heath about consistent testing and reporting of the water. Dori offered to help assist with the process.

Form to assist with communication with Select Board.

- Dori and Chris have developed a form we can use to manage our communication with BOS. We can document more clearly what support we need and when we need it to prevent issue we experienced with the recent grant application. As issues, Lynn as Secretary, will prepare the document and send to Town administrator Janine, Select Board.

Contact form & LOC Tracker – Al will get Chris updated info as soon as his phone is back in business

Feasibility Study follow up – What is town going to do? The report indicates that expanding the culvert and stormwater management were the greatest areas of improvement for the lake health. So what is the plan to move forward?

Add this to BOS the agenda – The town has spent a great deal of money on this report and the results have not been well synthesized.

Chris will talk to Select Board and set a joint meeting date. Most likely will be pushed to August 18th.

Are we staying remote or in person – Chris will talk to Janine to get update BOS update of opening of town hall.

July/August weed treatments - Tom Wilhelm and Sam toured the north basin to confirm locations identified by Solitude. Tom and Chris confirmed South Basin tape grass. Treatment will be necessary. This reinforces the need for larger budget to accommodate these periodic weed treatment expenses. To satisfy treatment needs, budget will need to be bumped to \$32,000 annually.

Anything else?

No other agenda items.

Dori made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:45. Sam seconded. In favor: Dori, Sam, Lynn, Al, Chris

Next Meeting

August 4, 2020 6:45

Call in Information to follow

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Johnson

Secretary