



Lake Oversight Committee

June 1, 2021 Minutes

Attendees: Lynn Johnson (Co-Chair, Secretary), Doug Cayer (Temporary Chair), Dawn Kamay (Assistant Secretary) Clelland Johnson (BOS), Bob Kamay

Absent: Dori Ference, Sam Spratlin

Meeting was called to order by Doug Cayer at 6:34pm

Quorum: Yes

Correspondence and voicemail

Approve Minutes:

- March 16 LOC Meeting – deferred since members in attendance at the 3/16 meeting were not present at this meeting
- April 6 Joint Meeting - Motion made by Dawn to accept these minutes. Seconded by Lynn. Approved by Doug, Dawn, Bob, Lynn
- April 6 LOC Meeting - deferred since members in attendance at the 4/6 meeting were not present at this meeting
- May 4 LOC Meeting - Motion made by Dawn to accept these minutes. Seconded by Doug. Approved by Doug, Bob, Dawn, Clelland, Lynn.

Lynn reiterated that it is very difficult to get minutes approved as member attendance is too sporadic, making it difficult to get an approval quorum. Dawn said she would try get to an ruling about members required to be present to approve minutes.

Old Business:

Storm Water Management Plan – Deferred as Dori was absent.

Dam Maintenance – Town admin sent out RFP to Fuss and Oneil. They responded with \$5,300 bid. It is believed the contract was awarded. Brian indicated he would remove the overgrowth of vegetation on June 2 and 3. Bob shared that this will be a difficult task as the water level is too high. Hopefully, Stacy will continue to monitor completion to make sure we are ready for the inspection.

Bob also shared that sluice have not been adjusted properly causing water to run over the top of the dam. This is not a good practice and shows that the Dam is not being well managed. If water flow were corrected, it would put less wear and tear on the dam and would allow the inspector to better observe the spillway for cracks and damage.

Clelland has been updating the Emergency Action Plan. He has updated the contact info for the calling flow chart with updated numbers for Police, Fire Department and surrounding towns. He has been working with Town Clerk to get updated numbers for the people that live down-stream,

Bob re-iterated that if the vegetation is removed and with the completion of the EAP, we should be in good shape for the review.

Still targeting to complete this review by the end of June.

Lynn asked about the Operations Manual. Dawn looked through records in ConCom room at Town Hall and did not find the document. Bob spoke with McClure and asked if they had created this document in the past. They did provide a proposal to generate one, but we did not follow through. As we did not award the Dam Inspection work to McClure, it would be awkward to ask them to create the manual now.

Bob will send Clelland an email confirming the recommendation that Fuss and Oneil be engaged and a description of the scope of the work. Clelland will work with Town Admin to send out this request and it is hoped that Fuss and Oneil will be able to complete the analysis to write this Operations Manual while they are on-site for the inspection. Bob and Doug would like to be present during the inspection.

South Basin Boat Launch –

Bob recommended re-grading the launch and removing some material. At this time, we don't have the depth to load and unload properly. We have about 2.5 – 3 feet and 3.5 minimum is required for most launches. Near Term: Obtain proposals to remove some material. Work with Conservation to make sure we handle this properly.

We should send out requests for proposals this summer and work must be completed in the Fall after the drawdown. Won't be able to see full results until the end of 2022 when boats are pulled from the water. If we did want to do something more substantial, we would need engineering firm to perform an evaluation.

Lynn mentioned original plan that considered installation of pre-cast concrete slabs. As the full scope of this option was researched, the cost was prohibitive, so the re-grading approach was recommended. Bob explained a previous approach of bringing in trap rock. This actually reduced depth a bit more and was not successful as the power loading of heavy boats continued to create issues.

Doug asked if this would be funded by the Association (FHRA). Bob indicated state wouldn't provide funding as it is not public since there is no parking area. So, the work to this launch would be paid for by the residents that have deeded rights or possibly using money that remains in the FHRA South Basin boat launch Fund.

Weed Treatment Contract – Clelland

We received one proposal to complete the work from Solitude. The firm in CT chose not to respond at all and Fuss and O’Neil said they do not conduct weed treatment. As it turns out they do subcontract this work, but they chose not to do that on this RFP.

We did not vote on moving forward at this meeting since the proposal had not been reviewed thoroughly and we agreed that it would be prudent to study the costs and approach to treatment to confirm that it meets our needs and expectations.

Since we should receive another weed treatment during July, it is important to complete this review and make a decision soon. Next steps: Lynn will

- Send Proposal to LOC members and Tom Wilhelm from the FHRA as he has a great deal of knowledge about work that has been performed in the past.
- Send message to LOC to schedule off cycle meeting. Targeting June 15. (Post agenda as appropriate)

Selectboard would like to receive a recommendation from LOC and they will move forward with the contract.

New Business:

Email: Lynn to start checking email on a more regular basis.

LOC Mailbox: Clelland has been checking our mailbox when he visits the Town Hall. Dori planned to turn in her key and Doug will make arrangement to get a key.

Lynn asked if Dawn knows where the LOC physical files are kept at the Town Hall. She does not know but suggested talking to Linda Blodgett.

Doug shared his intention to work to make these meetings more effective. All agreed that more work should be completed between meeting and the meetings would be used to share status. Without Chris to carry so much of the load, we each need to take more ownership to make progress on the goals we set as a group.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Johnson, Secretary