

Holland Lake Oversight Committee (LOC)
Joint Meeting with BOS
Minutes for August 6, 2019

LOC Members in Attendance: Chris McCooe (Co-chair), Kaitlin Laabs (Secretary), Larry Mandell, , Allen Johnson, Dori-Ann Ference,

BOS members in attendance: Ernest Fancy, Larry Mandell

Members Absent: Jameson Lloyd (Chair), Marcia Lee

Meeting called to order at 6:36 by Ernest

Motion to table the approval of the motions from 6/18/19. Chris made the motion, Dori seconded.

Motion to approve minutes from July 16nd by Larry, Dori seconded all approved. Allen abstained.

Old Business

Select boards response regarding utility poles on causeway: No official discussion has been held with BOS regarding the safety concerns of the utility poles. Larry contacted National grid regarding concerns about the safety of the utility poles. Some seem to be haphazardly placed and may create a dangerous situation for fisherman. We feel they are not adequately anchored. The hope is the town may be able to partner with National Grid in the effort to repair the causeway and make it safer for fisherman and walkers. Larry will take pictures of the poles and send them to National Grid and continue his discussion with them.

Grant writers: Town approved \$20,000 to write grants. Larry made an motion to place an ad in the paper to get a grant writer to seek and write grants for the lake health. Ernie seconded. All in favor.

Update on Lake Solitude Contract: We can do a one year contract, this may be easier than three year contracts (it avoids writing an RFP). The three year contract cost is \$29,000/ year. An annual contract cost is unknown. The town currently doesn't currently have the resources to write an RFP, Chris will assess how much a one year contract will cost and see if it is comparable. Janine will reach out and get two other quotes from other vendors. Larry made a motion to extend the contract for one year, Chris seconded. All in favor. Chris will also ask if we can do a 6 month contract to tie us over to the end of June. This will help sync the contracts up with the towns fiscal year.

New Business

Grants: Kaitlin made a motion to table the grant discussion until a grant writer is obtained. Allen

seconded. All in favor.

Green communities grant is due as well as the Sichol properties grants. Janine will be preoccupied with these and won't be able to help much in the short run.

LOC also needs to research what is involved with a Benefit Cost Analysis and how to go about completing one.

It was recommended to LOC to review town bylaws regarding the lake and assess if any are outdated. BOS is updating the bylaws and LOC input will be needed.

LOC needs to do the ethics test by the next meeting.

Chris made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm, Kaitlin second, all in favor.