

**Town of Groton Massachusetts
Great Pond Advisory Committee**

Minutes



December 18, 2013

Present: Francoise Forbes, Marshall Giguere, Susan Horowitz, Alex Woodle, Jim Luening, Art Prest, Tom Sangiolo

Not Present: Savas Danos, Cheney Harper,

Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2013 GPAC meeting was made and seconded. The minutes were approved by all present.

Financial Report

A financial report was not available.

Water Quality Testing

Art contacted the teacher at Lawrence Academy about the results of the testing that was done by students in September. Art emailed the Lost Lake & Knops Pond End of Year Report done by Aquatic Control Technology to the Selectmen, Sewer Committee, GPAC and Conservation Committee. Art also sent the results of the Sonar tests done in Whitney Pond and the Whitney Well to the GPAC and Conservation Commission.

Boat Launch Monitoring

Art Prest said that he had not had a chance to research or talk to Mark Haddad about the invasive \$7.50 weed fee in New Hampshire that is part of the boat registration program. The fee is for weed eradication programs in lakes and ponds in New Hampshire.

Baddacook Pond Update

Jim Luening reviewed the plans for moving forward with plans to treat Baddacook Pond with Sonar in 2014. Jim is planning on giving a presentation about this plan to the Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Water Commission. Jim also discussed the plan for working with Aquatic Control Technology to develop the NOI for treating Baddacook Pond with Sonar. Art Prest offered to have the GLA pay the cost of the NOI development. The plans and schedule for obtaining CPC Funds was also discussed.

Guide to Homeowners

No progress has been made in reviewing and updating the Guide for Homeowners to bring it up to date. It was agreed to change the title and to wait until February of 2014 to complete the updates.

Beaver Problems

It was reported that no additional beavers have been trapped on Lost Lake or Knops Pond because the water level has been lowered by about 30 inches.