



Town of Groton Massachusetts Great Pond Advisory Committee

Minutes

September 24, 2014 (as amended)

Present: Art Prest, Jim Luening, Susan Horowitz, Francoise Forbes, Alex Woodle

Absent: Savas Danos, Cheney Harper, Tom Sangiolo, and Susan Black

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2014 GPAC meeting. The minutes were approved as written.

Financial Report:

A financial report showed a budget balance of \$2,385 for the new fiscal year..

Baddacook Pond:

Jim Luening reported about the requirements from the Water Commission. They state that the GPAC has no standing and therefore a request for chemical treatment must come from the Selectmen. The request must also be submitted to NHESP which is actually standard procedure. They will require indemnification and a risk assessment. The Water Commission also raised the topic of sections of the Baddacook Resource Management Plan that was written in 2009. In particular the weed conditions back to 1964-66 and wording regarding chemical treatment contained in the report were alluded to at Water Commission meetings. It was noted that attendees at the Water Commission meetings were prevented from talking so no responses regarding such comments from attendees were possible.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding a strategy for what should be presented at the upcoming meeting with the BOS. Art Prest recommended that the GPAC should focus on developing an NOI and what the GPAC has been working on.

Lost Lake/Knops Pond:

Art Prest discussed the status of the Sargisson Beach restoration project and the funding.

Eagle Scout Projects:

Alex Woodle discussed his recent meeting with Boy Scout leaders regarding Eagle Scout Projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM