



Town of Groton Massachusetts Great Pond Advisory Committee

Minutes

October 22, 2014 (as amended)

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

Absent: Savas Danos, Susan Black and Alex Woodle

Guest: Bill Strickland

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

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the September, 2014 GPAC meeting. The minutes were approved as amended (i.e., change "those" to "therefore" in Baddacook Pond report section).

Financial Report:

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

Boat Launch Monitoring Program:

There was a short discussion about what we should do in 2015 for managing the Boat Launch Monitoring Program.

Baddacook Pond:

Jim Luening reported that another Water Commission meeting had not been scheduled. Bill Strickland is writing up an NOI. Bill needs to get a copy of the GLA to Water Commission claims that Jim Luening edited. There was a discussion about the statements made by the Water Commission regarding the wording in the Resource Management Plan (RMP) for Baddacook and how that wording ended up in the RMP. There was also a discussion about the hydrology of Baddacook Pond and whether water enters the well from ground water or from the pond itself. Jim Luening believed that most of the water entering the Baddacook Well comes from ground water and not the pond. There was discussion regarding who has the final say regarding an NOI for the restoration of Baddacook Pond: Water Commission, Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission or Board of Health?

Lost Lake/Knops Pond:

Art Prest discussed the status of the Sargisson Beach restoration project and the funding. The water in Lost Lake/Knops Pond has already been lowered to winter levels and construction should start soon.

Lake Shore Property Owner Education:

There was a short discussion about how we might complete the booklet regarding this public education program.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM