

Town of Groton Massachusetts Great Pond Advisory Committee

Minutes

August 26, 2015

Present: Jim Luening, Alex Woodle, Susan Horowitz, Art Prest, Françoise Forbes, Mary Metzger, Bill Strickland

Not Present:

Meeting called to order by Jim Luening at 7:20 pm.

Financial report; \$2385.00

Jim Made a motion for GPAC to approve Alex and Bill to attend NALMS (North American Lakes Management Society) meeting at Lake George New York, Alex second the motion and all approved.

Lost Lake: Art indicated the recent treatment looked very good. Indicated that no Water Chestnuts, Fanwort, and Eurasian Milfoil was observed, only small areas of Variable Milfoil. The conditions of Sarguson Beach are very good, the only concern is the Turbidity. A new Bladderwort plant was identified and more evaluation will be done.

Water Shed Advisory Committee: Art reported that the committee sent out a request for proposal (12-20 pages) to evaluate Phosphate and Nitrate and quantify the level of the problem, define the source, and develop a solution. The committee sent out 20 requests. 3 responses came in and 2 were good.

Working with the State (Jane Pierce) to request a 319 Grant.

Boat Launch Monitors: Alex indicated that they need more volunteers and had a lack of interest.

Baddacook: The Water Commissioners have not accepted a date to tour Baddacook Pond. Tom Orcut identified multiple dates for the tour (That have passed).

Jim Plan to meet with Mark Haddad to discuss open meeting laws, and if GPAC funds can be used to GPAC funds to get legal advice.

Weed Harvester: The Harvester is currently working in Baddacook. The conveyor needed to be replaced due to wear. The conveyor was purchased with last years funds. Bill will meet with Mark to determine why the funding was dropper from \$7000 to \$4000 dollars.

New Business: Alex created a draft to address traffic violators on the lake, Jim agreed to send out the draft for review.

Groton Fest on September 19: Art indicated that GLA will have a booth and will need volunteers to help set up tear down and support the booth during the day. The focus on the theme is Baddacook and GLA membership.