

**Town of  
Groton  
Massachus  
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Great Pond**



**Advisory  
Committee**

**Meeting Agenda and  
Minutes**

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**July 28, 2016**

**Present**

Chairman: Jim Luening

Member: Francoise Forbes, Susan Horowitz, Marshal Giguere, Art Prest, Alex Woodle, Bill Strickland

Guests Lucy and Dave Alexander

Meeting Called to order By Jim at 7: 18

**Minutes Review:** Alex Motioned to accept the June Minutes, Francoise second and all voted to accept

**Financial Status:** \$2385.00

**Encumbered funds:** Bill was tasked to contact the GLA to submit an invoice. Bill suggested that the GPAC submit an invoice to reimburse the Groton Lakes Association and have the GPAC members sign.

**Baddacook:** Meeting with Mark Belleau (Solitude Lake Management), Tom Orcut and Jack McCaffrey (Water Department) Jim Luening and Bill Strickland (GPAC). The objective was to find a non-herbicide solution. Mark indicated that Solitude has a modified Harvester that may be evaluated to remove aquatic vegetation in shallow areas. It could also reduce bio-mass before DASH harvesting. There should be a preliminary study to determine the current extent, density and variety of invasive weeds. This study would be used to produce an estimate for the entire pond. Solitude will contact their sub-Contractors to determine the feasibility of this process. Alex made a motion for GPAC to fund the Biological Survey up to our budget, Bill Seconded and all voted in favor.

The new Baddacook NOI was discussed. Bill indicated that the Notice of Intent was to treat the whole pond. Marshall indicated that since a map was provided identifying the areas in the study the Conservation Commission should review.

**Lost Lake Knops Pond;** Solitude spot treated with Copper Sulfate Algaecide on 6/28 for Filamentous algae.

**Lost Lake Watershed Advisory Committee:** Submitted to Mark Haddad's for approval a study to evaluate sediment and ground water at a cost of \$20,000.

**Weed Harvester:** The loading section repaired and painted. New conveyor belts and wear strips installed. The bent cutter bar frame replaced all the is remaining is the horizontal cutter.

**Weed Watchers:** Alex indicated that the enrollment was spotty. Mentioned that a pond in Sutton charges a boat ramp fee of \$6.00 for in state residents and \$12.00 for out of State residents

Pat Huckery is evaluating land definition for Porta-potties. She was Ok with the Lost Lake boat ramp. However, she was checking the deed of the Baddacook boat ramp

**Meeting Night:** Marshall has a conflict with fourth Thursday of the month. Francoise asked why did we move from Wednesday and Art indicated that it was in conflict with the Charter Review Committee. Alex made a

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