

**Town of
Groton
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Great Pond
Advisory**



Committee

Minutes

May 17, 2018

Present: Alex Woodle, Francoise Forbes, Jim Luening, Susan Horowitz, George Wheatley, Remi Kaleta

Absent: Marshall Giguere, Art Prest

Guest: Linda Valentine

The meeting called to order at 7:10pm.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes was made by Wheatley and seconded by Horowitz. The vote was 5-0 with one abstention.

Financial Report: \$2225 with \$1000 committed to the Duck Pond restoration. Discussion on other venues to expend remainder of FY 2018 funds: 1. Print brochures from ESS study as guide for homeowners to be better stewards of their property; and/or 2. Provide monies for water testing in Duck Pond. Woodle will explore printing costs. Further discussion was put off until next meeting in early June.

Duck Pond Update

Linda valentine gave an update on the progress made to prepare the site for the aeration generator (sent electronic documents to Jim for posting). Trench dug and GELD did the hook up. Volunteers made firm pad for generator. Muck depths were measured (document sent to Jim for posting) May 17, 2018 to be used as a baseline for future tests. Water quality will be tested 3X/year.

Lost Lake/Knops Pond Update

Porta potties placed at Lost Lake and Baddacook Pond state boat launches. SOLitude made its survey last week by motorboat and applied Diquat by airboat. Signs were posted at major roads to alert residents of the treatment and restrictions on lake water usage. Suggestion made to have metal signs made through offices of DPW for future treatments. Nick Gualco posted metal signs at Sargisson Beach..

Baddacook Pond Update:

Third year of funding Baddacook harvesting project passed by majority vote at recent town meeting. Second year bids yielded two prospects. Town chose SES as they were low bid. Site walk and meeting to be scheduled in near term with SES. Hopeful for a July starting time or when weed growth permits.

Wheatley motioned for our next meeting to be early June, Horowitz seconded and unanimously voted in.

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