Stockbridge Bowl Stewardship Committee Friday June 17th, 2022

Present: Jamie Minacci, Roxanne McCaffrey, Michael Nathan, John Loiodice, Jim Wilusz, members of the public. Absent: Gary Kleinerman, Michael Buffoni.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Minacci at 8:03 a.m.

Open Meeting/Announcements – JM thanked RM for her service for the Stockbridge Sportsmen's Club and her reliability to be on this committee to represent them.

Approve Minutes from 04/01/2022 & 05/06/2022 – Members of the committee need to review the 04/01 minutes, these were tabled. JM made a motion to approve the 05/06 minutes, JW 2^{nd} and all were in favor. They will be sent to the town clerk to be posted.

<u>Citizens Query – Questions from the Public</u> – There were no questions from the public.

Agenda Items to Discuss: by those present:

<u>WMP/LMP & Harvesting Update-Announcements</u> – JM advised they are waiting for the divers to do the water test knots before the harvester can commence, RM updated the hand pulling started 06/16 and should be completed 06/22. It is going well, the only issue is the SBA has the test plot locations but the town doesn't yet. There was an agreement that these plots were to be shared before they were approved. Pat Kennelly stated that a boat went out, they are finishing up the map and as soon as this is finished this well be shared with everyone. JM updated that the information is in draft form but it hasn't been given to Mike yet, RM asked JM questions about the draft. JM stated she sent the needed changes over, RM asked about an anticipated date it would be sent back. JM isn't sure but she's going to check with Mike to see when their next selectboard meeting is so they can discuss the draft.

<u>Water Testing/Follow Ups</u> – MB was not in attendance.

<u>Zebra Mussel Station/Buoys</u> – GK was not in attendance, JM informed the zebra mussel station is up and running. Pat Kennelly updated the buoys aren't out yet, the GPS points have to be figured out. JM will speak to GK about the buoys, they are hoping when the hand pulling is done the buoys and the large harvester can go out.

<u>SBA/Dredging Updates</u> – Pat Kennelly gave an update, she stated that the 75th anniversary is coming up, she will go before the selectboard with the event dates and times and also give updates with the activities for the summer. The main concern is the test plots and where they should be located, the committee is hoping this will be address soon. PK agrees this should be

done sooner than later. JM updated that as of last Saturday the weeds were still below the water. MN stated there are no dredging updates, they are hoping to get back on track soon. Mike Canales is dealing with the GZA for the permit process, it is happening now.

Water & Sewer Committee Reports – JL stated the committee met on June 7th, they discussed articles from the town meeting that had to do with paintings, trailers and expenses that were under \$50,000.00, Mike Canales advised this will be dispersed as of July 1st. There was a water main break on Goodrich Street, it was an 8" polypropylene tube that broke and spilled 400 gallons of water per minute and it was fixed in a couple of hours. There's gravel in the area that's temporary but it's holding up well. The Park Street station pump has been a problem, it's been put out for new bidding. They are hoping to get the price down lower. There was an approval of a private sewer on Mahkeenac, John Dupree of Trinity Engineering discussed the details with the committee. They would create a sewer system that would go from the house to Beachwood where the sewer connection is located, a pump would need to be installed to push the water to this area. Several houses may be interested in getting private sewer, if so, maybe the expenses could be shared. RM asked JW if there is availability and regulation if changes need to be made, JW gave a very detailed answer. He advised that the cost is \$50,000-\$60,000 to put this system in, if it's feasible they should connect.

Any Other Pertinent Information – MN asked JM about Dr. Kenny stepping down from the BOH, he didn't know an email was sent out and will look for it. MN asked what the status was of the small harvester, RM & JM advised they are waiting on the parts. For the BOH JW updated there's nothing new to report, very busy with systems being upgraded around the bowl. Berkshire County is in the yellow category for Covid, home test kits are available and they will have more available in the fall as there could be a spike in cases again.

There being no other business, JM adjourned the meeting at 8:31 a.m. and reminded everyone that the next meeting will be at 8 a.m. on July 1st, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Touponce, Secretary June 28th, 2022