

Stockbridge Bowl Stewardship Committee
Friday September 3, 2021

Present: Roxanne McCaffrey, Michael Buffoni, Michael Nathan, John Loiodice, Jim Wilusz, Charlie Kenny, members of the public. Absent: Jamie Minacci, Gary Kleinerman and Gary Johnston. The meeting was called to order by John Loiodice at 8:00 a.m.

Approve Minutes from 08/20/2021 – The minutes were approved.

Agenda Items to Discuss: by those present:

Board of Health: Septic System/Lake Drive Update – CK updated that that there was a joint meeting on 9/2 of the Boards of Health and with Smitty Pignatelli, Covid cases are increasing quickly as the Delta variant is now in our area. Boosters will be recommended soon and a mask mandate may be happening in the next couple of weeks, September will be a rough month with cases tripling. CK updated that contract tracing is now happening again, Heaton Court will be hosting 1st vaccinations, 2nd vaccinations and boosters for the immune compromised. MB updated there are 22 units living on Lake Drive, 6 full time residents with 3 on town sewer and 16 units needing to be attached. The main concern is financing this project, it could be a multi-million dollar project with running the sewer lines, running the sewer alone could be a million dollars. A lot of work needs to be done beforehand: looking at site conditions, engineering and contracting cost. MB stated samples have been taken from this area, he has not received the report yet. RM asked MB about a 5 year plan, they discussed this a little bit. RM stated that this needs to be brought before the Selectboard before anything can be approved, the voters also need to approve the funding. CK made a point that if a septic system fails, tri-town health supervises this. JW & MB talked about site conditions and so much put out per day per bedroom.

Harbormaster/Zebra Mussel Station: Updates – GK was absent from the meeting, no new updates.

Selectboard Representative: Harvesting Updates – RM stated they would like to get the harvesting started again as soon as possible, the blue harvester is waiting on the insurance claim and the green harvester needs to be approved to use before it can be put into the lake. They are also waiting to see if the GPS system is going to work, it was submerged into the lake and it's in rice trying to recoup it. NHESP may require a GPS unit being attached to the harvester before it can go onto the lake, if so they will buy a 2nd GPS unit. It also needs to be harvested before the Josh Billings Race. MN is not familiar with the green harvester, Chuck is on vacation so they need to wait until he gets back to have a meeting as to when they can start harvesting. RM talked to people about possible causes the harvester capsized, a report is being put together. MN has run the green harvester a little, the highway dept. has also.

Louis Korman said the blue harvester doesn't capture the material that is cut, there is a large amount coming to the shore. There is a lot of material on the shores at the dock on Mahkeenac Terrace, RM assured the harvester is collecting the material and there may be a lot coming ashore due to the capsizing of the harvester. Bruce Rubins said he used to run the harvesters and gave an update on how they work.

Conservation Commission: Any Pertinent Updates – No one was in attendance, no new updates.

Tri-Town Health Department: Any Pertinent Updates – No new updates.

Public Works: Updates on Water Testing August/September (Bowl) – MB updated that he will be out this month to do testing, a reading will be done also. Chuck did a reading in the middle of the lake: June was 21', July was 19', August was 13' and last week was 12'. Water is cloudy and turbid from the algae, hoping to get up next week to do more testing.

Water & Sewer Committee: Updates from last meeting – No new updates since the last meeting.

SBA/Dredging Updates – No new updates since the last meeting.

There being no other business, JL adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m. and reminded everyone that the next meeting will be at 8 a.m. on September 17.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Touponce, Secretary
September 10, 2021