

Stockbridge Bowl Stewardship Commission

Friday December 2, 2022

Present: Roxanne McCaffrey (RM), Michael Nathan (MN), John Loiodice (JL), Patrick White (PW), Mike Buffoni (MB), Gary Kleinerman (GK) and Sally Underwood-Miller (SU).

Absent: Jim Wilusz

Present via ZOOM: Pat Kennelly (PK), Anita Schwerner (AS)

The meeting was called to order by Roxanne McCaffrey at 8:02 a.m.

- Approval of November 4, 2022 and November 18, 2022 minutes.

SU moved to approve the November 18th minutes pending a few grammatical revisions she communicated. MN second. November 18, 2022 minutes approved unanimously as moved. It was agreed to hold off on approval of the November 4th minutes since not everyone had reviewed them.

RM stated that she heard back from Steve Roy (GZA) and they did incorporate the dredging project Net Benefit Plan into the Lake and Watershed Management Plan (WMP). She added that she changed the graphics that PW did not like with alternate photos. RM made a motion to pass the WMP on to the Select Board. MN second, unanimously moved to send the WMP on to the Select Board.

- Discussion of public awareness and education plans
- RM noted tht JW is absent and asked if anyone had sent their ideas to him – JL responded that the Board of Health will have a meeting to discuss the second week of this month. SU responded no. PW had sent one item to Rm. GK said Ken Gooch (Ice Glen tree treatment) mentioned a GPS program called Survey 123 (cost of \$2,700) could be used by people on the lake to identify where thy observe a reportable issue. MN asked how many people can use it and GK answered he believed that once the initial acquisition is made, it is unlimited. RM asked PK about another, inexpensive application PK said it is called Picture This, which identifies plants from mobile phone photos for a \$30 annual cost. PK stated that she has tried the app on photo of a photo and on submersed aquatic plants and it has worked. MB stated that the Water Department had not yet sent anything to JW re: public awareness and education. RM suggested that the group wait until after the holidays to take up this topic. She reminded everyone that JW had offered to act as the clearing house for respective ideas, so input should be sent to him. MB brought up past efforts for Zebra Mussel control and awareness to post signage at various other launch locations other than the state boat ramp. It was agreed to hold off until the next meeting to discuss, giving everyone a break and more time to get their ideas to JW,

RM stated that the next meeting is January 6, 2023.

- Public comment

RM asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. PK said she has the legal advice from the Stockbridge Bowl Association attorney regarding weed harvesting. She asked RM who should get this to “move the ball forward on this” rather than lose a month. RM suggested it go to Michael

Canales, Town Administrator and the Select Board since it is an administrative function. PW suggested it also be sent to SU.

- Stakeholder updates
 - Board of Health – Jim Wilusz – no updates
 - Water Dept. – Mike Buffoni– The last round of lake sampling was done the first week of November; sampling will resume in April. However, June and October were missed due to the heavy workload of Water and Sewer. RM questioned whether the weather history including temperature, rainfall and significant events should be incorporated into the WMP. MB responded that the W&S Department has that data.
 - Water and Sewer Commission – John Loiodice – Asked if the dam valve had been checked per a previous conversation – noted by MB who was absent during that previous discussion.
 - Conservation Commission – Sally Underwood-Miller – no updates
 - Stockbridge Bowl Association – Michael Nathan – A reminder that Mike Canales should be used to get a regular meeting schedule set up with GZA regarding the dredging project.
 - Select Board – Patrick White – Reminded that the Community Preservation cycle is beginning and the SBSC should discuss applying for funds. SU stated the public meeting is in January.
 - Stockbridge Harbormaster – Gary Kleinerman – no updates
 - Stockbridge Sportsman’s Club - Roxanne McCaffrey – no updates

- Meeting adjourned at 8:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne McCaffrey

November 30, 2022