**Dudley Pond Association Executive Committee Board Meeting**

**April 4, 2022**

(via Zoom)

Attendees: Eric Macklin, Jamie Pierce, Lisa Jacobs, Tim Dreher. Guests: Bob Smith, Marcia Filiurin, Judy Currier, Karen Fahrner, Norm Marowitz

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

**Harvester Update**

We are on track to get the Harvester purchased by the Town of Wayland, pending approval at the Wayland Town Meeting on May 14. Because of the timing of this meeting, and Wayland’s 7/1 FYE, the Town will not have the funds to purchase the Harvester until July 1. We’ll need to train operators and get the harvester up and running so early August would be the earliest to use this Harvester. The DPA will need to outsource weed control until then, and Norm is pursuing this.

We have looked into ways to provide an interim solution that could get boat ownership sooner, but it isn’t possible. Norm will check if the conveyor belt is included with the Harvester purchase.

Norm will include this updated info in our Spring Newsletter and will also make a presentation at the Spring meeting.

**Mansion Beach Restoration-**  Karen Farhner showed a map of who controls Mansion Beach. The left side (looking from Mansion Rd.) is controlled by DPW. The right side is controlled by Rec. and Karen F. is in touch with the Rec. Director, Katherine Brenna. In theory, DPW could clear the invasive weeds, use it for mulch, and replace it with native species, but there is no funding for that. Could DPA come up with the funds? Karen will explore. On the right side of the beach, the immediate concern is getting rid of abandoned boats and Rec. will begin tagging boats to be removed within 90 days. In any event, some of this work may have to wait until the Boat Ramp is built near the Dudley Chateau, since Mansion Beach is the only the main way to get boats in and out of Dudley Pond.

**Spring Newsletter-** Doron will do his last President’s letter. Tim will include Norm’s Harvester update. Karen F. will provide a Mansion Beach update. We will have a Fun Run update. Tim will write about the past year’s clean-up efforts and pond levels. Judy Currier will write a summary of the Council on Aging’s request (as a warrant at the town meeting in May), to fund the renovation of a new space at the Town Center. We will list the 2022 slate of officers. Jamie has agreed to stay on another year as Treasurer.

We’ll list the upcoming Pond events and throw in a few pictures. Eric and Tim will work on producing the newsletter and they need items ASAP. Nomi and Lisa will make sure the newsletters are delivered either by snail mail or electronically.

**Spring Meeting on April 24** at the Senior Center. This will be held in person and via Zoom. Lisa will reserve the room from 4:15-7:15pm, Eric will handle the Zoom hookup from the Sr. Center, Doron will handle the food, Mike Lowery will handle AV equipment which will be used for Norm’s Harvester update, Mike’s Pond Update, Jamie’s Treasurer report, Election of the board, and the DPA’s 2022 calendar. In addition to the presentations, we will talk about the Fun Run and try to get more members involved with this and our other projects, or to join the board, as a member-at-large.

**Council on Aging-**

Judy Currier has been working with the Council on Aging since before she was a senior! The DPA uses this facility for our semi-annual meetings. There is a warrant at the Town meeting in May to approve funding a new Council on Aging/Senior Center at the Town Center in Wayland. This project would renovate an existing facility and there are two pieces to this approval. One is a vote on May 10 for the funding mechanism, and the second is a vote at the Town meeting on May 14. Judy will summarize this for our newsletter.

**Fun Run**

We had a discussion about whether to hold the Fun Run and what form it would take. A committee has been formed and will start holding separate meetings. Volunteering are Ann D., Nomi, Tim, Lanette Duggan, Lisa, Jamie, Lynn Dowd, Thom Klem and Marcia Filiurin. Bob Smith will handle the rerouting of the actual racecourse. The next subcommittee meeting will be May 9 either at Tim’s house or via Zoom. We will discuss this at the Spring meeting.

**2022 Dudley Pond events**

* Spring Meeting -Sun. April 24
* Newcomers Potluck -Sun. May 22
* Ice Cream Social Sat. June 18
* Music on the Pond –Sat. July 23 or 30
* Fun Run -Sun. Sept. 18
* Fall Meeting -Sun. Oct. 23

Next board meeting: May 2, 7pm. (via zoom). All members welcome- we will announce this at the Spring meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Jacobs,

Secretary