

LAKE WYOLA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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-Minutes-

For

February 18, 2017

Members Present: John Gorey, Bob Thompson, Catherine Hilton, Mike Vinskey and Mark Rivers

Guests: Walter Tibbetts and Howard Kinder

Commenced: 9:00 AM

1. The Minutes from the January 21, 2017 meeting were reviewed, edited and approved.
2. Membership.

The committee proposed to amend the committee charter to include a member of the Emergency Management Team and the Dam Keeper. Mike will seek approval for the change at the next Select Board Meeting.

3. Continued development of the Lake Wyola Dam Operations and Maintenance Manual

Work on the following manual sections is ongoing:

- Safe Draw-down plan
- Requirements for poster on the side of the gate house
- Daily operation visits
- Frequency of visits to the dam
 - summer twice a week
 - winter more frequent
- Who has access to the gate house

4. Update on Goose Management Activities

Mark will apply for the permit to addle goose eggs and will contact the Mass Division of Fish. & Wildlife to learn about options to prevent geese from establishing residency in the spring.

5. Boat Ramp Signage

The Lake Wyola Association is planning to add safety and boating regulation signs to the Association Beaches. They would also like to add the same sign at the Randall Road Boat Ramp and are requesting our approval. The committee provided suggestions for improved sign's wording and advised that the Con Com should also be involved.

6. Proposal to change the Zoning bylaws

Fred Hartwell, President and Mair Fox, Director of the Lake Wyola Association review a proposal to modify the zoning bylaws for the Lake Wyola district. The proposal is to limit the building height for building alterations (additions and reconstruction) to the height of the existing structure. The aim of the proposal was to protect abutter's views.

While the committee was sympathetic to the idea of protecting the view of abutters, we had concerns about the effectiveness of the specific language. Accordingly, we decide not to endorse the proposed bylaw changes at this time and recommend that they first reach out to Zoning and Planning boards.

The next LWAC meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2017.