

LAKE WYOLA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
-AGENDA-

February 16, 2019 at 9:00 AM
Shutesbury Town Hall

Members Present: Catherine Hilton, Walter Tibbetts, Bob Thompson, Howard Kinder, Terry Smith, and Mark Rivers
(Terry recused himself from Items 3, 7, and 8)

1. The Minutes from the November 17, 2018. Meeting was reviewed and approved.
2. Update on Activities Related to Lake Drive, South Laurel and Shore Drive Road Runoff Problems

The 2019 Conference on Lakes and Ponds (COLAP) conference, which is scheduled on April 12th, will focus on storm water runoff. Mark is planning to attend in the hopes of making contacts with someone who might be able to develop a Scope of Work and have knowledge about available grants. Terry suggested that we check with FRCOG to see what others are doing.

South Laurel: Last fall, Howard moved the pile of dirt that was preventing storm water from infiltrating into the woods. However, because of a hard barrier that he could not move, some water is still flowing down the road. Walter will talk with Tim to determine if he has equipment that can move the barrier.

Storm water runoff across King Road has eroded a section of the road, making vehicle passage impossible. Mark will remind the LWA's road committee to look at either blocking or repairing it in the spring.

Bob wants to draw attention to the plugged curb cut at 322 Locks Pond which are diverting storm water across the road and down Great Pines Drive. Tim and Becky are working with the residents and evaluating corrective options. Mark will invite Becky to the next meeting to provide an update.

Howard also mentioned that Kinder Lane has a water runoff problem; however, a corrective action plan has already been developed. Mark will attempt to find a plans and if found, attached them to the meeting minutes.

3. Update on the Status of the Wildlife Habitat Evaluation

Have received two WHE proposals, from SWCA and Stockman Associates. The proposals include a pre-refilling shoreline walk as part of the evaluation.

4. Update on 2016 Lake Wyola Dam Inspection

In November, 2018, the biennial dam inspection was performed by Walter and Morris Root and a scope of work has been developed to repair the leak around the sluice pipe. They are searching for a qualified contractor who is interested in, and capable of, performing the repairs. Also, research is ongoing to determine a more suitable sealing material that will be able to permanently seal the sluiceway. Other work that is needed includes moving the leakage monitor and repairing the spillway.

The town of Charlton recently made similar dam repairs. Walter or Morris will attempt to contact them to see what contractor they used.

5. Update on State Park Water Testing

Catherine filed a Public Records Request to obtain all water test data since the state took over the park. She is currently waiting for a response.

6. Status of the Locks Pond Road Culvert Repair Project

Shutesbury received a \$500,000 Small Bridge Grant to replace the culvert under Locks Pond Road, just below the Lake Wyola dam. Becky is beginning to work with a bridge design engineer to create the preliminary documentation. More information will be available in the months to come.

7. Continued Discussion on Enhancements to the Randall Road Boat Ramp

We continued previous discussions about entering into a Land Management Agreement with the Department of Fish and Game in consideration for their rebuilding the boat ramp and parking area. At the end of the discussion, the committee voted unanimously to continue gathering information. Future actions include:

- Visit the Sunderland boat ramp located at the School Street Extension, Sunderland.
- Mark will contact Jack Sheppard, director, or Doug Cameron, Assistant Director, 508-389-7812, (doug.cameron@mass.gov) to see if they can provide technical personnel to attend a Select Board meeting to provide more information.

8. Pine Brook and the North Cove Restoration

Kevin Williams, the owner of Pine Brook, spoke with Bob to learn about activities associated with the North Cove Restoration project. Bob will help to get Kevin in contact with the restoration committee.

9. Lake Wyola Association – Annual Dues

Howard would like the Association members to be able to contribute additional funds that would be earmarked to specific projects.

10. Shutesbury Bylaw Amendment

Catherine noted that the Board of Health has been talking with the Planning Board to amend the town bylaws to restrict boarding large livestock (cows, pigs, horses, etc.) within 400 feet of the lake.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50

Next meeting is scheduled for March 23rd