

LAKE WYOLA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
-Draft Minutes-

December 17, 2022 at 9:00 AM
Via Zoom and Town Hall

Members present: Catherine Hilton, Mary David, Terry Smith, Walter Tibbetts, Howard Kinder, and Mark Rivers
Guests: John Kinder, Miriam DeFant

1. The minutes from the November 19, 2022, meeting were edited and approved.

2. Storm Water Runoff and Watershed Erosion Mitigation

FRCOG has not made progress on completing the Watershed Based Plan, but they expect to continue working on it in late January.

3. Boating Safety

The committee reaffirmed their approval of the boating safety sign that will be attached to the existing kiosk at the boat ramp.

- Boat Traffic is counter clockwise
- Speed limit 30 MPH
- Dawn to dusk

Mark will forward that sample signage to the ConCom for review at their next available meeting.

4. Safe Access to the Dam

The first meeting is scheduled for 1/4/23.

John Kinder, Mary David, Eric Stocker, and Howard Kinder will be on the committee and will remind the abutters of all upcoming meetings.

5. Dam Inspection, Maintenance, and Repairs

The following is the current dam inspection, maintenance, and repair plan:

- Morris will have the latest inspection report completed by the end of January, 2023. The report is based on his September 2021 inspection.
- It is expected that the report will document the repairs that are needed, including sealing the leak through the sluiceway, moving the leakage monitoring weir, modifying the trash rack, and repairing the mortar on the spillway.
- The next inspection is due to be completed before September, 2023. Morris is expecting to retire in June, 2023, but will complete the required 2023 field inspection and report before June.
- Having a list of needed repairs, the town can create a scope of work and obtain quotes for the repairs.
- The town can appropriate funds in the 2024 budget. Mariam noted that an MVP Grant may be another funding source.
- For the 2025 dam inspection, the town will need to work with another engineering firm with dam experience. Morris provide the following recommendations:
 - Lenard Engineering with offices in Auburn, MA and Winsted, CT
 - Pare Engineering, Holyoke, MA
 - GZA, Corporate Office in Norwood, Branch office in Springfield, MA and many others
 - Tighe and Bond, Westfield, MA
 - CT Male, Latham, NY
 - Stephens Associates, Wilmington, MA (WBE enterprise)
 - Steere Engineering, Warwick, RI (WBE enterprise)

6. Testing of the backup generator

Walter and Catherine will coordinate with Becky to change the generator testing time to either 8:00 AM (before our meeting) or after noon.

The meeting ended at 10:00

The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2023.