

STURBRIDGE LAKES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 16, 2019

Call to Order: 6:30 by President Laurie Palmer

In Attendance:

Leigh Darrin CL
Rob Sparrow WP
Chuck Roy BA
Marita Tasse SP
Bruce Gran BA
Laurie Palmer LP

Absent:

Tom Quinlan CL
Chris Mazeika SP
Mark Farrell LM
Unfilled Seat

Determination of Quorum: Quorum present 6/9

Approval of April Minutes:

There was a correction needed in the April minutes. Bruce stated that homeowners/landscape companies need to submit soil sample to U. Mass. Extension Program, not Con Com. U. Mass. Will analyze soil and issue licenses for phosphorus use if needed. Max 10% for a 1-time use. They will also submit to the State. Chuck amended minutes. Laurie made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Leigh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Chuck will get amended minutes typed up and to Laurie for distribution.

Old Business

1. Boat Safety Course: Leigh can't make the Boating course on June 1 as the representative from SLAC. However, her husband will attend in her stead to help Tom Quinlan proxy the class.

Action: Leigh's husband and Tom Quinlan will be at Boating course.

2. BOS liaison update: Laurie spoke with Mary Blanchard, chair of BOS, in regard to a liaison to meet with SLAC in future meetings. Mary to get back with Laurie.

Action: Follow up with Mary.

3. A discussion followed on our contact for our Articles for Publication. Marita stated our prior contact was Ruth D' Amico, but that she didn't know if Ruth was still our contact. She will check into it and get back with the Committee.

4. A review of the letter to the Town from SLAC supporting the South Pond initiative to add Alum to the Lake, and in support of the 319 Grant they are requesting, followed. The Conservation Committee supports this initiative. The Town meeting is June 3, and all were encouraged to attend.

5. Laurie contacted Laurel Carpenter about joining SLAC as Dave Mitchell's replacement. Laurie hadn't heard back from Laurel by the time of the meeting.

New Business:

1. Bruce Gran is to research getting a pamphlet on lake friendly fertilizers from the DEP to hand out to property owners around the Lakes, abutting landowners, and yard care companies.

Action: Bruce to speak with DEP

Next Meeting: 6/20/2019/at 6:30

Motion to Adjourn: Laurie Palmer, second Bruce Gran; all in favor.

Adjournment: 7:30

Minutes taken by Chuck Roy/Secretary

