

LGWG MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 12, 2022 ON LINE

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ATTENDED:

JUSTIN MAKUC, KYLE PIERCE, ALICE BURKE, RICHARD JAFFE, STEVE SNYDER, GREG CARNESE, MICHAEL GERMAIN

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1. ORDER OF CONTINIONS FROM CONSERVATION COMMISSION ISSUE

MICHAEL AND STEVE FOLLOWED UP AND STEVE NEEDS TO CIRCULAE A DRAFT LETTER TO SELECT BOARD RE: HELP NEEDED FOR CERTAIN ORDER OF CONDITIONS FOR WEED MITIGATION IN LAKE GARFIELD WHICH NEEDS TO BE EXTENDED BEYOND 8/2022. THE LETTER WILL ALSO ADDRESS A NOTICE OF INTENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND PASSED THAT STEVE SNYDER WOULD DRAFT A LETTER TO THE SELECTBOARD AND CC CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND STATE DEP.

2. DASH

DISCUSSION THAT REPORTS HAD BEEN PREPARED BY DR. WAGNER AND NEW ENGLAND AQUATICS RELATED TO MITIGATION OF MILFOIL IN THE LAKE.

NEW NOTICE OF INTENT SHOULD INCLUDE BENTHIC BARRIERS AS WELL AS WEED MECHANICAL HARVESTING. DISCUSSED MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO SELECTBOARD AND FINANCIE COMMITTEE TO FUND THESE ADDITIONAL MITIGATION OPTIONS AND REQUEST \$50k FOR THIS PURPOSE.

IT WAS NOTED THAT THERE IS A NEW GROUP OF LAKE SCIENTISTS THAT ARE WILLING TO ASSIST US AND WILL ASL FRIENDS OF LAKE GARFIELD TO WORK WITH LAKE SCIENTISTS TO HELP DRAFT A NEW NOTICE OF INTENT.

3. MONITORING LAKE HEALTH

SHANNON POULIN, WHO HAS BEEN MONITORING LAKE HEALTH BY TESTING WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

4. OPEN MTG MINUTES ISSUE/COMPLAINTS

STEVE SNYDER HAD INFORMATION ON HIS OLD COMPUTER SYSTEM WHICH WAS UNRETRIEVABLE. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, MELISSA NOE, IS GLAD TO HEL WITH GETTING MINUTES POSTED.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND PASSED THAT STEVE SNYDER WOULD REQUEST AND EXTENSION OF TIME OF A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS TO ADDRESS THE COMPLAINTS.

IT WAS MENTIONED BY SOMEONE THAT MINUTES SHOULD BE POSTED WITHIN THE TIME FRAME OF 3 BUSINESS MEETINGS.

5. GRANTS

A MAIN FOCUS OF THE GRANTS IS RAIN GARDENS AND WASTEWATER RUNOFF. THERE IS A NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO OUTREACH AND EDUCATION OF PEOPLE ON THE LAKE FROM COURTNEY MOORHOUSE. SHE WILL BE INVITED TO OUR NEXT MEETING.

AS MORE GRANDS ARE OBTAINED, THE MONEY CAN BE USED TO HELP PEOPLE ON PROPERTIES THEY HAVE IN ORDER TO HELP WITH STORM WATER RUNOFF ISSUES AT THE WATERFRONT.

#### 6. LAKE TAX DISTRICT

JUSTIN MAKUC LOOKED INTO THE HISTOR OF THE ISSUE AND COMMENED THAT SOME THINGS MAKE MORE SENSE FOR A CITIZEN'S PETITION.

IT WAS DISCUSSED THAT A LAKE TAX DISTRICT WOULD NEED TO HAVE CONSENSUS AMONGST THE PUBLIC TO BE APPROVED.

IT WAS DISCUSSED THAT THE LGWG SUPPORTS A LAKE TAX DISTRICT CONCEPTUALLY AND THAT WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT IT BE CONSIDERED AS A SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR ONGOING WORK RELATED TO THE LAKE HEALTH WORK.

IT WAS NOTED THAT A TAX DISTRICT HAS BEEN REVIEWED IN THE PAST AND THE ISSUE IS HOW TO GET IT ADDRESSED AT A TOWN MEETING. THERE WAS DISCUSSION THAT A CAMPAIN OF EDUCATION AND AWARENESS WOULD BE NEEDED.

THE LGWG IS NOT PRESENTLY FORMALLY TAKING A POSTION ON THIS ISSUE