

STURBRIDGE LAKES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 17, 2019

Call to Order: 6:40 by Co-President Laurie Palmer and Marita Tasse

In Attendance:

Marita Tasse SP
Rob Sparrow WP
Chuck Roy BA
Laurie Palmer LM
Vic Pollock WP
Chris Mazeika SP

Absent:

Bruce Gran BA
Mary Dowling SBOS
Leigh Darrin CL
Tom Quinlan CL

Guest: Jeff Bridges TOS

Determination of Quorum: Quorum present 6/10

Introduction of new member: Vic Pollock Walker Pond

Approval of August Minutes:

Chuck Roy made a motion to accept the August minutes as is, and Chris Mazeika seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Action: None

Old Business

1. Discussion on the "Ice Safety" article. Article needs to be in paper (Stonebridge Press-Brendon Berube editor) and Villager possibly, before winter sets in. Timeliness important.
2. There will be an interview with SLAC that hopefully will be published for mid-Winter.

3. Spring article will be on “safe use of fertilizers on lake front properties”.
It was mentioned a “health of our lakes article” might be a good idea in the future.
All articles will be presented to SLAC members for review before they are published.
4. Discussion followed on the amounts of Sodium found in the various lakes, especially those bordering the Mass. Pike. Chris Mazeika spoke to the conductivity test that are done on the lakes to monitor salt/mag chloride levels in the lakes. Cedar Lake and Walker pond have the highest levels of conductivity as expected due to their proximity to the Pike. Jeff Bridges mentioned that new drainage areas were being constructed by the Town to control erosion and run off water flowing into Cedar Lake.
5. Laurie and Marita are still working on the Outlook Calendar being created for events and projects at the various Lakes.

Action: Get finished article to papers; Laurie/Marita. Finish Outlook Calendar.

Unfinished Action: Bruce will look into the correct distance rafts can be from shore.

New Business

1. Check with Barbara Barry on the \$100.00 donations from each of the Lakes that is used for the Boating Course.
2. Get with Dave on next year’s boating courses and line up Sturbridge Host for the event. Check on funding from the Town.
3. Reminder that, all lake improvement invoices must be submitted by June 15th, and the work must be done by end of June, to be considered for pro rata share of funds from the Town Betterment funding. The work must be completed and show payment by the end of June to qualify for current fiscal year.

Next Meeting: 4/16/2020/at 6:30

Motion to Adjourn: Motion Chuck Roy, second Rob Sparrow; all in favor.

Adjournment: 7:35

Minutes taken by Chuck Roy/Secretary