

Proctor Beaver Pond Committee
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2019 - 6:35 pm
Draft Minutes

Attending: Ray Beyette, Kim Metcalfe, Greg Gallus, Dale Christie, Tom Hogan, Rebecca Bell, Stan Wilbur

Ray opened the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Tom moved to accept the agenda, Dale seconded, all approved.

Tom moved to approve the September 4 and September 25 meeting minutes, Dale seconded, all approved

Ray reported that the picnic went very well, 19 people total; 8 workers; thanks to Frank for cooking;

Discussion about applications for improvements at the pond. Stan recommends 3 permits at a cost of \$125 each. Ray asked what the timeline would be to apply and receive an agreement from the state. We are looking for the members recommendation. Ray recommends a large picnic area near the stop sign.

Ray feel we need to review the ordinance.

Some discussion about how to entice the youth to volunteer their time and services. Ray hopes having a fishing derby will help encourage some to volunteer.

Ray feels that Rebecca's suggestion for solar lighting would be a great idea. The board agrees and Ray will be looking into possible donations. Dale moves that we do further research

Tom plans to research if the pond is on the state listing for no motor boats on the pond. The current ordinance speaks to no petroleum based motors.

Gate will be locked by the town on November 1 for the season to keep vehicles out of the North End.

Tom asked about the removal of dead trees which he knows the state has already oked for this to occur.

Tom notified us that PHS now has a fishing team.

Kim mentioned she would still like to see a toilet there. The group agreed to check into the cost of a porta potti for next season.

Ray will be looking into services for fish to restock the pond. It is recommended to speak with the game warden. Rebecca knows another person to ask.

The committee will meet again November 6.

Dale makes a motion to adjourn and Kim seconded it, approved.

After meeting with Laura at the pond, Ray says that the things the committee has done that the state has taken issue with was not done to be intentional against the rules. The biggest issue was with not getting permits.

A question was brought up about a set of stairs on the pond. A risk assessment by the League of Cities and Towns want the steps brought up to code. The resident was informed and we are waiting to allow the resident to correct the issue. If the resident choses to rebuild they will need a permit. The Selectboard will follow up.

The two claims against the town are being reviewed by the League of Cities and Towns. We will have more later.

When permits are granted by the state, we have 5 years to complete the project.

Ray brought up there is an article in the paper about the state meeting.

There is a suggestion that a cookout be scheduled to include groups in town who have been involved in the work on the pond. Tom suggested picking a date. The date has been arranged to be 9-29-19 at 12 noon at the North end. Ray has a list of those to be invited. Menu is burgers and chips. The members will bring a side dish. An interim meeting is scheduled 9-25-19 to finalize the potluck cookout.

Dale asked if next meeting we need to discuss how to remove the dock and when.

There was some discussion about what the dam repair may need. The state has recommended the water level be dropped 18 inches.

Greg asked about spraying mosquitos on the ledge. The town has all the permits in place to spray. Some larviciding has been done and they will be spraying too.

It has been suggested that we have a listing with the state info that anyone looking up about motor boats would be able to do that and be aware no motor boats on Beaver Pond. Carrie will be looking into this.

Ray wants a fishing derby and is committed to making that happen for the kids next year.

Dale moved to adjourn, Tom seconded, all agreed.