

Proctor Beaver Pond Committee  
Regular Meeting  
April 21, 2026 – 6:00PM  
Draft Minutes

Location: Town Office Meeting Room

Attending: Dale Christie(chairman), Kim Metcalfe, Tom Hogan, Pauline Hogan, Jim Moore

Dale called meeting to order at 6:07pm

Approved meeting agenda. Tom made motion, Pauline 2nd. Approved unanimously.

Reviewed 10/21/25 meeting minutes. Tom made motion, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved unanimously.

Chairman's report:

All appears to be going well. Ice fishing seemed light, but Jim disagreed and thought it was great. Kids observed using the pond. Gate stayed closed until Kyle opened it up.

Dam Projects:

Dale has 2 ideas for projects. Wild parsnip was observed near dam last fall. Plan is to try eradicating it. Brian Perkins has offered to help. 2<sup>nd</sup> project is to clean up the ditch that the overflow culverts flow into. There is a nice marble wall that could be more visible if clearing was done. There is a unique geological cave nearby too. A work day will be organized to cleanup.

Grills:

Dale sent email to Judy about replacing the grills. Klye has them from last year, but are not in very good shape and should be replaced. Committee would like to get 4 new ones and maybe only put 2 out at a time. Judy left a catalog showing some options for new grills. Applying for Mortimer Proctor funds was preferred to save our money in the treasurer's account. Currently there is \$5,748.00 in that fund.

Maintenance/improvement:

The dock appears to be a bit low and missing a couple covers to poles. Work will be done to raise it to keep it out of the ice more. The large pine stump near the parking lot is getting rotted and was discussed to remove. Leaving it for now was decided. Rod holders will be re-installed soon onto the dock.

Trails:

Dale passed around a draft of the new trails map. It features a photo by Keith Edmunds, local photographer. Dale added some new historical info and new points of interest. It was received well by the group. Very little needs for the trails. Minor tree cleanup from blow downs. Work will be done on a hole in one spot.

Rules & Ordinance: Select Board did pass an ordinance disallowing parking trailers at the pond parking areas along Beaver Pond Rd. A lot of ATV users were doing this.

Other Old and/or New Business:

Further discussion about purchasing the headwaters of the pond and adding it to the Town Forest. Not sure if OMYA would separate the parcel needed to do that. Former crane yard is the area the committee would like to acquire.

A bike rack at the pond was discussed and overall consensus from group and town municipality members is negative, so no plans to add one at this time.

Tommy Grace has recently expressed interest in leading a fishing derby. Dale will reach out to discuss further. Jim expressed his concern about adding non-native fish to a thriving pond.

Dale passed around a copy of a 1906 postcard he bought showing Beaver Pond for discussion.

Tom moved to adjourn the meeting. Kim 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:05pm.