

## TOWN OF WAYLAND – MINUTES

NAME OF BOARD/COMM: Wayland Surface Water Quality Committee  
FILED BY: Thomas Klem, Chair  
DATE AND TIME OF MEETING: Monday 12 February 2024 7:00 pm  
PLACE OF MEETING: Remote

Note: In compliance with the March 12, 2020 Massachusetts Office of the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 20, this meeting of the SWQC was livestreamed on local broadcast on the WayCAM Government Channel and open to the public to view and participate via Zoom. Public Comment was available by in-person attendance and by telephone and Zoom during the time designated for Public Comment. All votes were taken by roll call.

Attendance: Thomas Klem (chair), Carole Plumb, Tom Largy, Norm Marowitz, Jack Carr

All votes approved by roll call of individual members

1. Call to Order – 7:05 PM
2. Public Comment - none
3. Approve minutes from 18 December 2023 meeting

TK made motion to approve minutes, seconded by CP. Approved 5-0 by roll call vote.

4. Norm Marowitz has tendered his resignation from the Committee after four years of service, leading efforts on weed management and purchase of a mechanical harvester for use on Dudley Pond.
5. Heard Pond:

Solitude provided a contract for applying for a herbicide Notice of Intent before the Conservation Commission of \$3750 (email K. Gazaille to T. Largy, 19Jan24). However, there are insufficient funds remaining in FY24 budget. TK proposes that he initiate the process with Conservation while requesting additional funds from Town. TK made motion to appear before Select Board to request additional funds to support Heard Pond NOI; TL seconded, all in favor 5-0 by roll call vote.

Solitude submitted an invoice of \$1500 for their annual weed management report deliverable. The Town has balked at paying this amount, as the content is primarily from TL communications and photographs. TL comments that the price is fair, given the physical inspection, gear used and transportation costs. TL and TK confirmed with the Town that payment had been approved by the Committee previously (emails by TL and TK to John Bugbee in the Town Manager office). There has been no confirmation from the Town, TK to follow up with John.

6. Dudley Pond:

The Dudley Pond Association (DPA) has voted to purchase a conveyor and make a gift of the conveyor to the Department of Public Works (DPW) for use on Dudley Pond. The Select Board accepted the gift at their 05 February meeting.

During last season's ProcellaCOR application, Solitude treated an additional ~10 acres beyond the scope of the contract. The reason was that their own survey indicated the Town under-estimated the required coverage area. Given the time sensitivity to have the application completed early in the season and not require a second application, Solitude proactively treated the larger area before amending the contract with the Town in the amount of \$5765 (email D. Meringolo to T. Klem and N.

Marowitz, 05Jan24). As noted in the Heard Pond section, there are insufficient funds available to make this payment. The DPA gift account, containing funds contributed back to the Town by the DPA for weed management over the years, is a possible resource that could be used, pending approval by the Select Board. In communication with TK, Solitude is willing to accept payment in the amount of \$4000 to close the request. TK made motion to appear before the Select Board and request release of \$4000 for payment to Solitude. JC seconded, all vote in favor 5-0 by roll call vote.

7. Lake Cochituate:

CP to check in with Julia Junghanns (Health Dept. Director) as to their resources to support both cyanobacteria and E. coli testing for the upcoming season. The Health Dept. has identified a local laboratory that can support this testing at less expense than previously.

8. Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance: None

9. Motion made by TK to adjourn at 8:22PM, seconded by CP and approved 5-0 by roll call vote.  
Next meeting 11 March 2024.