



TOWN OF NORTON

Water Bodies

(Committee)

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Date: July 15, 2019

Time: 7:00

Location: Town Hall, 1st floor Meeting Room

Members & Staff Present: David Lennon, Patrick Carr, Catherine Carr, Herb Ellison, Carol Zwicker

Members Not Present: Janet O'Reilly, Brian Brady, Jim Smith,
Member from Conservation Commission

The meeting was called to order at: 7:16

Minutes from the June 17, 2019 Meeting were reviewed and Approved with
one adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Herb Ellison Motioned to accept Minutes
Patrick Carr second the Motion

Old Business

David Lennon talked about BOS Meeting and article in the paper about the BOS Meeting.

Laminated By-Law signs were on the Conference Table when Committee got there. Dave said WBC has requested more permanent signs for the future.

Discussion old signs disappearing shortly after posting.

Carol Zwicker spoke about the BOS Meeting which she felt had a lot backing from the BOS to go forward.

ESS did not treat Winnecunnet as they felt it was in good shape. .

Barrowsville Pond

-Mike Yunits said the new owners do not want responsibility for the dams.

-ESS holding off treatment of it for now.

Discussion about the condition of the dams by members of WBC were discussed. Gates are under water and can't be seen well. Concrete dam condition looks very beat up.

Needs a lot of work. Sediment needs to be tested before it can be removed. MASS DER (Department of Economical Restoration) has been contacted. If there is money from the State it will still take years of treatment.

Mike Yunits asked for the WBC opinion on repair or replace. We felt the need to weigh the cost of each but replacing or removing seems to be better choice.

Wading River goes into 3 Mile River, to dam in Taunton, LaSallett Road goes to dam and snakes thru so Mike Yunits said if it is a river it has more potential for use.

WBC opinion was to not treat and get assessment of costs to remove or replace.

Dave sent email to Mike and hopes to hear back on progress.

• **Open Session for Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance**

• **New Business**

WBC discussed need for enforcement of the By-Laws and monitoring of the water ways. We need help to find ways to enforce rules. Training and staffing will be needed so the Town is going to need funding maybe as a Public Service Package. May be funding could be attained thru an Article at Town Meeting, we will need Selectmen support.

Dave will reach out for Chief Clark to attend a WBC meeting, his presence is important. Wearing life jackets from Memorial Day to Labor Day is required.

We need help with ways to raise the funds. A Sticker program was discussed .Usage stickers was discussed using Lake Pearl as an example where there is a fee schedule for different vessels. Fees can be based on power vs non-power, and resident vs non-resident, seniors and disabled discounts etc.. Would have to have an attendant on duty. Bring ideas to next meeting.

ADJOURN

Next Meeting is August 19, 2018 at 7PM.

Patrick Carr motioned to adjourn at 8:15

Herb Ellison second the motion

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

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Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 until the next meeting on, Monday August 19, 2019 at 7pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Approved by Committee on: 8/19

(Date)

Signatures:

Dave Fl co-chair
(Name & Title)

Chairman, water bodies
(committee)