



TOWN OF NORTON

Water Bodies Committee

(Committee)

MINUTES

Date: September 17, 2012 Time: 7 pm

Location: Town Hall 1st Floor Meeting Room

Members & Staff Present: David Lennon, Joe McFarlane, Colleen E. Ryan, Herb Ellison, Marcia Anderson, Brian Brady

Members Not Present: Carol E. Zwicker, Frank C. Hovey, Lee Parham

Guests Present: Nick Adams, Nevenka Miling, Ron O'Reilly (Conservation Committee)

The meeting was called to order at: 7PM

Minutes from the August 20th and 30th, 2012 Meeting were reviewed and Approved with no adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

I. Old Business

- a. Dave updated the committee on the kayak paddle on August 30th with Jennifer Carlino and the various additional sites on the Reservoir where new invasive weeds were found.
- b. Colleen volunteered with Herb to do additional identification of plants between Evergreen and Juniper streets on Saturday, September 22nd.
- c. Public Awareness Campaign
 - i. Joe stated the status of the information kiosks were on hold until the Scouts determine what their projects will be. Once that is completed, the projects will move forward.
 - ii. Additional discussion continued on two issues: having an article in the Norton Buzz and other papers about the "Ten Tips to Preserve your Waterways" and educating the public on the value of using selective herbicides to address the invasive weed problems on all three lakes in Norton. Colleen volunteered to write a draft for the papers on the "Ten Tips" and make it available at the next meeting for editing. It was suggested that the final draft be approved by the Conservation Committee.
- d. Brian Brady reported that the Winneconnet Lake Association was funding an individual to update the 2006 report on the status of Lake Winneconnet. The task force on the lake will be meeting Wednesday, September 19th at the Brady home.
- e. Marcia handed out copies of two parts of the 2006 Lake Winneconnet study for review by the committee members. No discussion followed.

II. New Business

- a. Dave announced that during the paddle on August 30th, the group became aware of visitors on the Reservoir. Upon investigation, it was discovered the two individuals from the Great Lakes Environmental Center were taking samples of plant, water, and soil samples as part of an EPA funded grant called National Lakes Assessment. Further information on the group can be found at GLEC.com; once on the site click on "Capabilities" then the "Environmental Assessment" link.

III. Announcements

- a. Dave will plan to meet with the Board of Selectmen on September 27th to update them on the progress of the committee.
- b. Dave will check with Jennifer about possible grants that may be available to assist in the funding of any projects that are recommended by the Water Bodies Committee.
- c. Next meeting dates were set for Oct 1st and 15.

Brian moved to adjourn; Colleen seconded the motion, unanimous
Adjourned at 8:15 PM

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, October 1 7pm in the 1st floor meeting room, Town Hall

Respectfully submitted, by Marcia Anderson

Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____
(Date)

Signatures:

(Name & Title)

Chairman, _____
(committee)