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Board/ Committee: Water Bodies

Meeting Date: October 16, 2017

Members & Staff Present: Carol Zwicker, David Lennon, Herb Ellison, Brian Brady, guests Cathy Carr, Patrick Carr

Members Not Present: Janet O'Reilly, Member from Conservation Commission

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm and adjourned at 7:42 pm

Minutes from the September 18, 2017 Meeting were reviewed & Approved as written.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Herb Ellison motioned to approve minutes from September 18, 2017, Brian Brady seconded motion, Approved

Old Business;

Facebook not being administered, Cathy Carr volunteered to administer our page. She said per the social media, Facebook is the way to go.

Dave Lennon told the Carr's that they need to contact the Selectmen and tell them why they want to join the committee, and get sworn in.

Mrs. Ellison spotted a young eagle on the Reservoir recently.

Dave said the water is dropping on the Reservoir but it is still high, fishing is still good out there. But he only saw one signet swan.

The committee discussed the eagles on the Reservoir.

Discussed weed treatments by Solitude. Winnecunnet was treated October 3, 2017.

There are some struggles with Charley, access is needed for more coverage. The third treatment performed stopped a large portion of water chestnuts from dispersing seed.

Explained that the seeds falling can grow even 20 years later.

Dave suggested that Solitude may try to gain access from the O'Reilly's property.

Currently Winnecunnet has had 5 treatments, Barrowsville three, Chartley three, Reservoir three.

Dave said that the Girl Scouts of America's Camp Edith Read property of 40 acres is for sale. There is an article for Town Meeting to purchase the land with the help of some grant money so the Town would pay less. It is on the Agenda for Fin Com.

Brian Brady had a question to ask Jennifer at Con Com re: The Chateau restaurant. He was told by the Restaurant that they cannot even wash the windows because of the mussel beds, so Brian proposed we ask Jennifer if they can at least wash the windows. We are trying to find a way to get there help with cleanups. Dave said that people can use waders to walk in and fish.

Discussion ensued about the use of biodegradable washing solutions, or possible use of boats with mats to float the discharge. Need to know what the Natural Heritage Study said.

Discussion followed regarding parcels of land on Route 140 being for sale on both sides in Norton, plus the building of the new Electrical Union Building. Plus the possible sale of Tsang's Restaurant which borders the Reservoir down to Robinson Lane.

Committee is looking for a yearend report from Solitude.

Normally the meeting is held the 3rd Monday but Dave won't be here so the next meeting will be November 13.

Herb Ellison motioned to adjourn, Brian Brady seconded the motion, Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

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Minutes respectfully submitted by: Carol Zwicker, Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved by Committee on:

November 13 2017

Chairman Signature:

Davey