LAKE MASPENOCK WEED MANAGEMENT CITIZENS INPUT GROUP HOPKINTON MA 10748

February 13, 2020

In attendance:
John Westerling, DPW
Cynthia Esthimer, Chair
Jaime Goncalves, Vice Chair
Drew Logan, Secretary
Eric Sonnett

Did not attend Jeff Barne David Mitchell

Public Guests None

Ms Esthimer called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

The group discussed the progress made towards preparing for herbicide usage in the Spring if needed.

- NOI has been prepared and sent to the Conservation Commission. A link was sent to the CIG for review.
- DEP has been notified and has assigned a reviewer
- David Mitchell is working with Ben Sweeney in procurement on preparing bids. The bids should be sent out by early March to provide for 60 day turnaround.
- Confirmed with Milford and Upton that no separate NOI would be needed for their ConComms.

Confirmed review of the NOI will be conducted at the February 25 ConComm hearing.

A notice to all abutters within 300 ft of the lake for Hopkinton, Upton and Milford residents. This notice was also sent to the Select Board, Town Manager, Board of Health, Parks and Rec and Conservation Commission.

Mr Westerling provided an update on comments received from Town Staff thus far. Specific comments are attached to these minutes. Feedback was received from Town Engineer, Fire Chief, Town Planner. Parks & Rec has provided verbal feedback but we await written feedback from them as well as Board of Health.

The group discussed some important timelines and considerations:

- Suggested to apply herbicides before beach opens
- The contract with the vendor must be signed prior to end of June in order to use FY20 funds.
- The lake survey should be done as late as possible but not so late such that if treatment is needed it can complete at the appropriate time. Late May/early June
- Consider inviting the vendor to join the Spring survey

Miscellaneous:

- The new gate is being installed at the dam and should be completed next week.
- No new update on the extended drawdown

Minutes respectfully submitted by Drew Logan, Secretary