

LAKE MASPENOCK WEED MANAGEMENT
AND CONTROL ADVISORY CIT
HOPKINTON MA

MINUTES FEBRUARY 22, 2022

In attendance;
John Westerling
David Mitchell
Joseph Baldiga
Jeff Barnes
Cynthia Esthimer
Eric Sonnet†

Absent;
Drew Logan

Guests;
Peter Czelanski
Carol Esler
Don Kaiser
Spencer Loveland

1. Meeting was opened by Joe Baldiga at 5:05 PM.
2. January 20, 2022 minutes were approved as amended.
3. In discussing next steps for the NOI filed with the Conservation Commission, several points were made. Some abutters may have been missed in the NOI mailing, which included Hopkinton, Upton and Milford abutters. The mailing will be done again by March 4, 2022 in order to be ready for the scheduled March 15, 2022 Conservation Commission meeting. A resident spoke up to say the notice was not clear and received an explanation that, if treatment was called for, a specific recommendation would be presented to John who would then present an NOI to the Con. Comm. at a later time. A second resident asked if the lake area on the opposite side of W Main St would be looked at for possible management. The CIT briefly discussed how that could be done.
4. A meeting with the Select Board will be deferred till after March 15, 2022.
5. Dave reported that the DEP agent, Mia McDonald, had questions about herbicide application impacts, dissolution levels, permitting of drawdowns and notification to Upton and Milford. Dave responded. Jeff suggested that the CIT ask the DEP Agent to help evaluate the current process.
6. There was a brief discussion about the process of CIT resignations, applications and fulfillment of roles.
7. Next meeting is March 30, 2022.
8. Meeting was adjourned at 5:53 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cynthia Esthimer