# Lake Boon Commission Meeting Minutes June 21, 2021

A meeting of the Lake Boon Commission was held on June 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The meeting took place by telecommunications using Zoom, because of coronavirus-related state limits on public meetings per the Mar 21, 2020 order of Governor Baker. The meeting was recorded and is available thru Stow TV.

Members Attending: Kris Krablin (Chairperson), Dan Barstow (Clerk), Conray Wharff (Commissioner)

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 pm

#### **Public Comments**

- Kris Krablin asked members and participants if they wanted to continue with zoom meetings, or switch to in-person. Dan likes zoom, especially with the safety of all given the Covid epidemic, the ease for many people to participate, and the equity of all members and participants appearing equitably on screen. Kris, Conray, Dave Gray, Karen Gray, and Dick Gelpke all concurred.
- Dave Gray commented about the problem of wake boards and from jet skis, both with the
  potential impact on the lake and shores, but also for the danger and potential Kris offered to
  connect with Fort Meadow to see how they handle this problem.

### **Meeting Minutes**

• Conray moved, Dan seconded and we unanimously approved the minutes from May 24, 2021

## **Bills for Payment**

- In the May 24, 2021 meeting, LBC pre-approved payment for Solitude. We received the invoice and Kris submitted the invoice to Stow, and Conray will submit to Hudson for payment. Stow will pay 2/3 = \$5,308.33 and Hudson will pay 1/3 = \$2,604.17.
- Dan paid \$70.00 for public announcement in Stow Independent Press, about weed treatment. Dan moved, Conray seconded and we unanimously approved reimbursing Dan.
- Kris paid \$14.99, as the monthly rate for zoom meetings. Conray moved, Dan seconded and we unanimously approved reimbursing Kris.
- Conray paid \$31.45 for gas for the boat. Dan moved, Kris seconded and we unanimously approved reimbursing Conray.

#### **Solitude Weed Treatment**

- Red Aylward, our liaison with Solitude, reported that weed treatment took place June 2, 2021
- Red and Dan reported on-going frustrations with Solitude. They were late with the map and treatment details, requiring a delay from the previous scheduled treatment date, and they have either been very slow or not responded to numerous emails and phone messages.
- Red and Dan will follow-up with Solitude as we urgently need the Quantity & Concentration/Dissipation measurements from them
- Kris said she will visit Fort Meadow Reservoir and talk with Hudson officials about how they
  handle weed treatment and other related issues.

### **Buoy locations - Discussion**

- Kris opened a discussion about the location of the buoys. Since she has been involved in seasonal
  installation and removal, she wondered why they're sited in specific locations, and what are the
  guidelines for placing them.
- Conray provided some background and history, on the transition from buoys installed by
  individuals to LBC handling this. Most importantly, buoys are for the safety of boatowners,
  shoreline residents, swimmers, and anyone else who uses the lake. They keep boats from getting
  too close to the shore, warn of regions with shallow water, and limit wakes with the narrows. LBC

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previously identified the seven locations, with the precise placement a bit of a judgement call. Conray provided the following details for each buoy:

- o #1: Purpose is to push people off shoreline, for safety. Located about 75ft from shore.
- #2: Purpose is to designate the No Wake/headway speed zone in the narrows. Located roughly 300ft from Kathy Myles' property to the opposite point.
- o #3: Purpose is to designate the No Wake/headway speed zone in the narrows. Located roughly midway on a line from Ron's property to Teresa's dock.
- o #4: Purpose is for safety at Indian Point. Should be about 75 ft from shoreline.
- o #5: Purpose is to designate the No Wake/headway speed zone in the narrows. Located roughly midpoint on a line from Conray's dock to Red's.
- o #6: Purpose is to designate the No Wake/headway speed zone in the narrows. Located roughly midpoint.
- o #7: Purpose is safety/no wake. Located between David Mitrou's shore and the sunken island.
- Conray offered to take Dan and Kris on a boat tour of the locations to give on-the-spot explanations. Dan and Kris appreciated and agreed to do this on Friday June 25, 2021.

# **Police Patrol Update**

- Conray noted that Lee Heron will retire June 30, 2021, after many years helping to patrol the lake. The Chief of Police is working on a plan to cover that time.
- Conray said it was sad to lose Lee, but by law he has to retire because of his age. We agreed to send Lee a thank you card. Conray will do this on behalf of the LBC.

### Year-end Budget

- Kris noted that we have expended virtually all of our fiscal 2021 budget, with a projected balance of \$267 (with the possibility of additional \$170 balance). Dan praised Kris for her careful managing of the budget.
- Conray suggested buying some needed chains for the buoys with whatever balance remained. Dan moved, Conray seconded and we unanimously pre-approved this expense for FY21.

#### **Capital Planning Discussion**

Kris reported that she had spoken with the Chief of Police about capital planning that might be
required for both the LBC & Police boats. . He agreed to talk with Denise about this and to have a
follow-up discussion.

### Healthy Lake Boon Initiative - Update

- Dan gave a progress report on the Healthy Lake Boon Initiative. He reported that monthly measurements continue on track, with the most recent on June 13, 2021.
- Dave Gray reported very high conductivity measurements in Monahan's Cove. Dave and the HLBI volunteers will collect more data, and discuss with Pam Helinek, Hudson Conservation Agent.
- Dick Gelpke added a historical perspective, on high levels of silt from the nearby golf course, in the 1960's.

#### **Old Business**

No old business

#### **New Business**

Budget update

### **Date of Next Meeting**

Tentatively scheduled for Aug 17, 2021, 7:00 pm

#### Meeting Adjourned:

- Conray moved, Dan seconded and LBC unanimously approved adjourning.
- Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm

Approved by LBC on:	