

Lake Beseck Environment Committee

July 28, 2021

Minutes

(Not approved at time of filing)

1. **ZOOM** Meeting called to order at by Richard Santos at 7:13

2. **Roll Call:** Present were Richard Santos, Lisa McCabe, Aleta Cromack, Hannah Malcolm James Malcolm and Scott McDonald.

Due to Corona Virus this meeting was held through ZOOM.

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved as published by Hannah, seconded by Rick and approved by all.

4. **Public comment** None

5 Annual Election:

Hannah nominated Rick Santos to be Chairperson.

Rick nominated Hannah to be Vice Chairperson

Jim Malcolm volunteered to be Secretary.

6. Aquatic Growth:

Rick stated mapping will begin this week. He would like to create a subgroup to work on the permitting procedure and all necessary steps needed to begin the process. Scott asked about cutters as a way to get rid of the invasives. Hannah explained the cutters would be best used by homeowners on the lake not the whole lake. If cutters are used you would have to remove all cuttings from the lake so they would not reseed or regrow.

Lisa asked if the endangered species could be removed and once the invasives were treated replanted. She also asked about the effect of herbicides. Rick explained they would have to learn more about these things before any decisions were made.

Hannah, Jim and Lisa will be the subcommittee for the permit process. Hannah will reach out to other members not present today.

7. Cyanobacteria:

Craig Lundell wrote a paper that Rick has asked members to read and comment on before it was posted. Hannah is in charge of the beach area. They test for Cyanobacteria and E.coli and if a natural disaster happens to affect the water (overturned porta-potties) She has signs that can be posted if there were beach alerts and closures. Lisa asked if there was a collation of different lakes to approach the State as a larger group that might make a difference in their requests for permissions and information and help with the problems at the lakes in CT.

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8. Signs

Randy has been unable to recover the sign the DEEP took. Rick asked about the Lake Smart Sign. Hannah is working on getting someone to install it. He asked about the Lake Beseck sign at the entrance to the Lake that was vandalized. It was being worked on and Hannah will check on the ware bouts. If the sign is unrepairable they can talk to Ed about replacing it.

9. Selectman's Report:

Ed was not present.

10. Miscellaneous:

Hannah suggested a person who would be a good fit for the commission. She also talked about the mats for weeds. She would like about 4 more.

11. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Lisa, seconded by James and approved by all.