

**Minutes of QQLA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Date: March 11, 2020**  
**Location: Susan Swanstrom's home, 6:30 PM**  
**Moderator of meeting: Doug Vizard (co-Vice President)**

**Members Present:**

**South Pond:** Mary Lou Knight, Don Taft, Doug Vizard, Marita Tasse, Steve Lockney

**North Pond:** Carlene Weiss, Randy Weiss, Susan Swanstrom

**Guest:** Ed Beale

Meeting was Called to Order by Doug Vizard at 6:45 PM.

**Temporary Recording Secretary: Susan Swanstrom**

Minutes of November BOD Meeting were preapproved electronically.

**Treasurer's Report: (Carlene)**

Income thus far in 2020: \$9,657. Expenses: \$2,548.98. Our memberships for 2020 thus far total 96 (2019 was 143) out of a potential 225 abutter households. Oversight in report regarding trash pickup bill by LeBoeuf for both North and South ponds: \$100 for first 3 months of 2020.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Lakes Preservation:**

**Spencer Wastewater Treatment Plant (SWWTP) (Doug)**

920,000 gallons of influent per day is the long-term average projected. January 31 measured 111pp billion mg/liter phosphorous. "Projecting where they ought to be at this time," after they rebuild the plant in 24 months and the tertiary treatment is completed, we'll see expected improvement.

Legislation C4R for bacteria monitoring of all rivers was discussed. We approved the \$225 expense to sample our river.

**Weed Treatment (Doug)**

The Weed Mapped areas for treatment this year that we approved at a previous Board Meeting were sent to E.S.S. and their proposed costs will run \$18,560.

**Status of flow barrier (Doug)**

It was opened completely today, 3/11/2020. When the bridge at South pond is replaced this year the flow barrier will attach to the south side of the walkway. During construction, we prefer not to operate it or to keep it closed. Delay from original start of construction 3/30 has been announced (Rasca is name of foreman), with no firm re-scheduling at this time.

**Alum Treatment:** Applying for the D.E.P. 319 Grant on Impaired Water Bodies, we learned that the application deadline is June 3, 2020 with monies awarded in the spring of 2021. Though we have monies allocated from both East Brookfield and Sturbridge, Brookfield's \$15,000 has yet to be approved. We need a Warrant Article by March 30 to place this on the town's agenda. Don will speak to the town selectmen to make sure a warrant article is in the budget for the upcoming Town Meeting in June.

**Social/Recreation/Community Events: (Don)**

Lakes Clean-up: Flexible timeline from Saturday 4/18- 4/25. Don will coordinate. Brookfield will donate bags. Our Spring Fling Cinco de Mayo will be May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Oakholm Farm, if coronavirus does not cancel or delay the gathering. 4-8 pm and \$5 donation per person. Poker Paddle Run: the date chosen, the Saturday after Labor Day, September 12, 2020, conflicts with the Town of East Brookfield's Centennial Parade so Doug will rearrange permit and it will be re-scheduled for 9/13.

**Communication/Education: (Randy)**

Randy asked Doug to provide information on the Alum Treatment Project and the bridge closing and flow barrier information for the next edition of the newsletter.

**Next Meeting Date and Location:** April 22, Wednesday 6:30 pm at Randy and Carlene Weiss' home.

Meeting Adjourned: approximately 8:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Swanstrom