

Bare Hill Pond Watershed Management Committee

Meeting Notes

Date: 20 May 2019

Place: Hildreth House

Present

Members: Bruce Leicher, Megan Glew, Brian McClain, Pablo Carbonell and Rachel Schrides (student member)

Non-Members: Peter Dorward (Harvard Conservation Trust) and Don Ritchie (Conservation Commission)

Bruce opened the meeting at 7:30pm with a quorum.

Harvard Open Space Committee Proposal

Peter Dorward and Don Ritchie propose a new committee for the protection of land in Harvard. Committee would be proactive and have funding up front.

Committee would include members from the ConCom, HCT and BHPWMC.

Pond Committee voted to support the proposed Open Space Committee.

Treasurers Report

None

Pond Tour

Committee approves guided Pond Tour – target month is July.

Will be able to pay for tour with this year's funding.

Secretaries Report

Minutes from December 2018 and February 2019 were discussed.

BOH request for Input on Mosquito and Tick Spraying Adjacent to Pond and its wetlands

Mosquito Squad has been spraying next to the Pond on Turner Lane.

Mosquito Squad advertises the use of peppermint oil or permethrin pesticide.

The EPA licensed use for permethrin states that it is not to be used near wetlands.

Committee approves letter of concern prepared by Bruce Leicher to be sent to Mosquito Squad.

The EPA licensed use for permethrin has also been forwarded to BOH, Select Board and Town clerk.

Committee Goals discussion

Postponed until next meeting

Brian McClain/ Secretary