

**Town of Marlborough  
Lake Advisory Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, June 11, 2024  
Town Hall, 26 North Main Street  
6:00 PM**

*Minutes are considered draft minutes until approved at the following meeting*

**1 Call to Order**

Anthony Bassilakis called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM

Attendance: L. Concodello, N. Visco, C. Morgan, J. Boston and J. Planeta.

Absent: D. Dupre, J. Asklar III, W. Evans and J. Valentine.

Also present: Peter Hughes, Director of Planning and Development

Guest: Tom Ryder, LandTech Consultants

**2 Approval of Minutes**

**Louise Concodello made a motion to approve the April 9, 2024 minutes as presented. A. Bassilakis seconded and all were in favor.**

**3 Additions to Agenda**

**Jane Boston made a motion to add 10b Weeds and 10c Pump Station to the agenda. Louise Concodello seconded and all were in favor.**

**4 Lake Letter**

Jane Boston will draft a writeup about Joe Peak's history on the commission.

The commission discussed drafting an article regarding the boat launch renovation that will occur in September.

**5 Final Fish Count Report**

Not discussed

**6 Lake Yard Maintenance Guidance**

Not discussed

**7 Lake Overlay District Update**

In response to a request from a commission member, P. Hughes will post the final regulations on the website.

**8 Fish Stocking**

100 rainbow trout and 50 brown trout were stocked June 8, 2024.

**9 Goals and Activities for 2024**

a. Awards for Exemplary Property Owners in the Lake District – With News Coverage  
Not discussed

b. Ideas for Lake Newsletter

Louise Concodello will submit an article to the RiverEast News Bulletin regarding Parks and Recreation Rules and Regulations.

c. Education and Outreach Ideas from new Members

Not discussed

d. Lake Clean-up Effort

Not discussed

e. Monitor Boat Ramp Progress

P. Hughes explained the boat launch renovations planned for September. The boat launch will be closed after Labor Day. The new boat launch will be ADA compliant. The sidewalks will also be extended to the boat launch.

**10 Other Business**

a. Catch Basin Stenciling

P. Hughes reported stenciling will go on the asphalt in front of the catch basins. He requested assistance from commission members. Stenciling will be complete by August.

b. Weeds

J. Boston mentioned she has noticed weeds throughout the lake. She has also noticed more weeds at her beach association than previous years. T. Ryder of LandTech noted they did a weed survey approximately 5 years ago. He explained the difference between native and invasive weeds. Invasive weeds should be addressed if found. The abundance of native weeds can fluctuate year to year based on weather and other factors. Last winter was warm which may contribute to more weeds this spring. He explained some benefits of weeds including filtering nutrients and protection of small fish.

Peter Hughs suggested scheduling a weed survey for 2025. He also stated members can bring weed samples of concern in for identification.

c. Pump Station

J. Boston mentioned a strong odor by the pump station. P. Hughes replied meters will be installed next month and members can discuss this further at the WPCA meeting Thursday.

**Tom Ryder of LandTech Consultants presented the Water Quality Report Year 2023 for Lake Terramuggus**

The report conclusion page reads as follows:

Most sample results for 2023 show normal stable readings indicative of oligotrophic to mesotrophic conditions with generally good water quality. This year saw a blip of ammonia in June. The readings returned to normal in August and September. This high June result is similar to but higher than the readings we saw in September 2021. The high 2021 readings focused on the south inlet. We recommend sampling the south inlet during the June sampling to try to isolate a source in case the high nitrogen levels continue in the June water sample.

T. Ryder explained how most lakes in Connecticut do not have ongoing water quality monitoring programs like Lake Terramuggus. He commended the town for continuing the program since 1994 as the lake is worth monitoring. The program enables the town to be proactive quickly if a change is noticed.

P. Hughes suggested testing the south stream this season and scheduling a weed survey for 2025.

**11 Adjournment**

**Jane Boston made a motion to change future Lake Advisory meeting times from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Cheryl Morgan seconded and all were in favor.**

**J. Planeta made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 PM. A. Bassilakis seconded and all were in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Pearson, Board Clerk