



LAKE QUINSIGAMOND COMMISSION
Worcester ~ Shrewsbury ~ Grafton

Meeting Minutes for September 27th, 2023
Shrewsbury Police Department Training Room
106 Maple Ave, Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Present: Peter Collins, Michael Paika, Patrolman Shawn Valliere, Kenneth Polito, Amanda Amory, Bill Nelson

Absent: Lieutenant Jason Palmatier, Sargent Jason Gaumont, Travis Mast, Marie Stella Fiore

1. Chairman Peter Collins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Review and act on the acceptance of the August 2023 Minutes.
 - Motion to approve August 2023 minutes made by Michael Paika and second by Bill Nelson. All in favor. Passed.
3. Review and Approval of Bills and Expenses
 - a) TRC Environmental - \$1,000 LQC Post Treat, 2-year Pilot Final
 - b) USA Marina - \$2,344, Buoys & No Wake Labels
 - c) Lake Quinsigamond Watershed Association - \$3,553; 5 Rounds of Sample Testing by Alpha Analytical
 - d) Chase/Harris Portable Toilets, Porta-potty at PD Boat House 5/30-6/30, 7/1-7/31, 8/1-8/31, 9/1-9/30
 - Motion to approve all bills made by Michael Paika and second Ptlm. Shawn Valliere. All in favor. Passed.
4. Public Participation
 - a) None
5. Commissioner Reports

Michael Paika Lake updates, reports the destruction of buoys

Ptlm. Shawn Valliere Further issues with destruction of buoys; launching of police jet skis for use on Lake and Flint Pond; will move buoys for upcoming head race

Kenneth Polito Orders of conditions issued in Shrewsbury

Bill Nelson Rowing activity depends on weather conditions

Peter Collins Planning to hold a subcommittee to discuss possible solutions to safety issues. The subcommittee will include 2 representatives from the LQ Commission, 2 representatives from the LQ Watershed Association, and 1 resident representative.

6. Discuss and possibly vote on scheduling a hearing regarding jet skis on Lake Quinsigamond for the October 2023 meeting

- Motion to hold a public hearing made by Michael Paika, and seconded by Amanda Amory. All in favor. Passed.

7. Update Lake Management Plan

a) Lake Quinsigamond drawdown

- Updates and extensions of permits
- On or around November 1st

b) Update on Weed Mapping on Lake Quinsigamond

- None

c) Update on Pilot Study for Natural Heritage

- None

d) Update on Invasive Species Treatments on Lake Quinsigamond and Newton Pond

- None

8. Update from Nick Pagan, Senior Environmental Analyst, Lakes and Ponds Program, Department of Sustainability and Resilience, City of Worcester

- Water quality monitoring and outreach updates
- Report of fish kill event

9. Update from Barbara Kickham, Lake Quinsigamond Watershed Association

- None

10. Review correspondence

a) Emails from residents of unsafe activity on the Lake

11. Next Meeting

a) Wednesday, October 25th, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the SPD Training Room

12. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

a) Motion to adjourn made by Bill Nelson, second by Kenneth Polito. All in favor. Passed.

This meeting was held in person in the Training Room at the Shrewsbury Police Department and

broadcast live on Shrewsbury Media Connection. A recording of this meeting will be available through Shrewsbury Media Connection (<https://www.shrewsburymediaconnection.org/>).

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