

Sudbury Ponds & Waterways Committee Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2011, 7:15-9:00 p.m., Flynn Building, 2nd Floor

Attendees: David Blohm, Co-Chair; Steve Gabeler (Gabe), Co-Chair; Alan Bascom, Mike Dufault, Rob Hershfield, Paul Greenspan, Frank Lyons, Mary Addonizio

Administrative

Mike Dufault will continue as an associate member after April 30, 2011 and will be involved in the Duck Race and the Eco-Friendly Lawn program.

Paul Greenspan will also continue as an associate member when his current membership is up, and will be involved in school programs as time permits.

Annual Report

Mike will try to get a draft of the PWC Annual Report to Mary Addonizio by Friday, February 18.

Eco Friendly Lawn Program

Mike will continue to post the large Eco Friendly Lawn Program signs at the Fire Station and give lawn signs to interested participants in the town. We will also try to put a notice up in the Goodnow Library. We will also ask current participants to "spread the word," about the program.

"Adopt-A-Pond"

We will pursue the program with interested middle schools. Dave Blohm will contact Michal Mueller at the Curtis Middle School, who has expressed interest in the program to see if we can develop a suitable framework that is relevant for the students.

Frank Lyons mentioned that some students in Sudbury are raising beetles that eat the invasive species, loose strife. Some members asked what else these beetles might eat.

Alan Bascom stated that he had spoken with Debbie Dineen of ConCom and that there is no similar Adopt-A-Trail program.

Watershed Maps

Dave Blohm will bring one of the topo maps to the framer for repairs and then we will consider rotating the maps.

Sudbury Website PWC

Some PWC content appears to be missing from the site. Rob will check to see how to restore the content.

Watershed Photo Inventories

Gabe created a one-page to do list of pictures of waterways needed to finish the Master Plan Appendix. We may be able to some use photos from Google Earth. There is no information to indicate seasonal ponds that exist in Sudbury, which we may want to do in the future. For now, members will try to complete the following:

Frost:	Alan Bascom
Pelham:	Gabe Gabeler
Great Meadow:	Rob Hershfield
Nobscot:	Gabe
Woodside:	David Blohm
Goodnow:	David

MA Congress of Lakes and Ponds COLAP

Frank Lyons attended the MACOLAP meeting, January 26, 2008, at Assumption College Worcester, MA. He mentioned that Ken Wagner, Ph.D., North American Lake Management Society (NALMS) Past President, discussed water shed management and aquatic invasives. Frank also mentioned that use of rain gardens was discussed to collect run-off. That subject could be a future newspaper article for PWC.

Carding Mill Pond

Frank stated that the Hop Brook Protection Association (HBPA) used Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds to harvest Carding Mill Pond to rid it of aquatic weeds and algae. HBPA was spending ~\$8,000 per year, but is now spending less. HBPA is applying for another round of funding at \$4000/year for four years, and PWC supports that effort.

Riverfest, June 11-12, 2011, Wayside

We have scheduled the Annual Duck Race for Sunday, June 12, which we co-sponsor with the HBPA. We will also obtain coupons for pizza.

Marlborough Easterly Wastewater Plant

Frank attended a Marlborough City Council on February 17. At that meeting the council approved \$226,000 for project management at the Easterly Wastewater Treatment Plant, which will be done by Camp, Dresser, McKee. The easterly plant must meet more stringent phosphorus limits, from 0.75milligrams/liter (mg/l) to 0.1 mg/l by April 1, 2014. Construction is scheduled for 2012 through 2014, at a cost of around \$59 million.

Next Meetings (2011, 7:15 pm), Flynn Building

Mar. 15
April 26
May 24

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm