

**Sudbury Ponds & Waterways Committee (PWC) Meeting Minutes  
April 11, 2017, 7:30-9:00 p.m., Flynn Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

**Attendees: Marge Keen, Melissa Gough, Frank Lyons, Diane Muffitt, Anne Slugg, Chair; Mary Addonizio**

**Administrative**

The December 2016 PWC minutes were approved.

The PWC welcomed Ms. Melissa Gough and Ms. Marge Keene to the meeting.

**Glyphosate**

Melissa Gough of Protect Sudbury, spoke to the PWC about the prospect of Eversource using glyphosate, an herbicide suspected of being carcinogenic. The utility is proposing to build an electric transmission line along the defunct MBTA railway, which would require clear-cutting swaths of trees and vegetation, hence the use of glyphosate.

Protect Sudbury is looking into creating a bylaw to address the use of glyphosate in the town. The PWC will support and receive updates by the group. Protect Sudbury is planning a summer and early fall education campaign to inform the town.

**Filming the harvester**

Diane Muffitt met with Debbie Dineen, Conservation Commission Coordinator, and Debbie made several suggestions of how the PWC can be helpful to the ConCom, for example, working with the commission to do public education videos on Sudbury cable TV. We will suggest that the harvester be filmed at Carding Mill Pond. Harvesting should take place in early to mid-June

**Pullathon and Duck Race**

The pullathon will be at Stearns Mill Pond on June 17, and the Duck Race will be on June 18, at the Wayside Inn. Diane will get in touch with local Boys and Girl Scout masters to see if any would be interested in participating. First we will need to draw up information on how the scouts need to prepare for the pullathon. Frank will also ask some local farmers if they would like the harvested material, as it is good fertilizer.

**Irrigation Bylaws**

Anne Slugg stated that irrigation bylaws may be revised to include private wells.

**Next meeting: 7:30 pm Flynn Building**  
**Tuesday, June 6, 2017**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 pm