Sudbury Ponds and Waterways Committee (PWC) Meeting Minutes June 06, 2019, 7:30-8:35p.m., Flynn Building, 2nd Floor

Attendees: Diane Muffitt; Marjorie Keene, Co-chair; Mimi Chandler, Cochair; Mary Addonizio, with a communication update from Ursula Lyons

April 2019 Minutes

The meeting minutes for April 04, 2019 were approved.

<u>Current Business</u>

<u>Duck Race</u>

• The PWC will host the Rubber Ducky Race at the Grist Mill on Sunday, June 23, at 1:30. PWC members who can attend the race are asked to be at the Grist Mill by 12:45 that day to set-up.

The race is free; any kid up to 12 years old can participate. Each duck race participant receives a numbered duck, and the entrant's name and duck number are recorded. The recorded ducks are put into a garbage bag and dumped in the water at the starting point above the Grist Mills "falls."

A PWC member(s) gets in the stream with a net in back of the finish line and to announce the duck numbers as the ducks cross the finish line, and to retrieve the ducks. We ask that race participants return any ducks lent to them. The first three ducks, supplied by the PWC, to cross the finish line win prizes for their "owners."

Ursula Lyons communicated that she will arrive around 12:45pm and will bring event signage, ducks, and a table for sign-up. She also has some netting, but suggested that two people stopping the ducks past the finish line may work better.

She will also obtain prizes for the first three winners. She stated that she will need three people, in addition to her for the race: one to start off the race at the top and two to finish.

Hop Brook Protection Association (HBPA)

Ursula reported that the new HBPA has been created with Jeff Winston as President. The PWC will establish contact with the HBPA.

Mission Statement

Ursula suggested that the PWC should ensure its mission is noted in the town's Master Plan. The PWC will also edit its own Master Plan to replace "*shall*" serve with "*may*" serve in the Membership and Officers section, at the end of the first paragraph, "... or his/her representative(s), <u>shall</u> serve as liaisons and resources to the Committee."

Sudbury Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Workshop

Mimi Chandler attended the Sudbury Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Workshop on May 14. She handed out information about the workshop to the PWC, and said that Sudbury will continue to be eligible for state funds even after the MVP plan is completed. The plan needs to be done by the end of the year. Governor Baker has allocated \$1.3 billion to prepare for climate change in the state. (Information from that meeting will be included.)

PWC Watershed Map

Diane Muffitt obtained a map of the Sudbury Watersheds. It has been put up it in the Flynn Building room where the committee meets regularly.

Waterways Photos on the PWC Website

The PWC will put up more frequent photos on the PWC web page and spoke about compose articles about the scenes pictured.

Stewardship

Future plans also include information for Sudbury residents about how they can be stewards of a local pond and waterway for the town.

<u>Next meeting: 7:30 pm, Flynn Building</u> September 12, 2019

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35pm