

**Lamprey River Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes April 21, 2020 7:00 P.M.**

Phone meeting convened under the emergency provisions of RSA 91-A, Emergency Order 2020-04 in light of the COVID 19 outbreak.

APPROVED MAY 19, 2020

Chair Joe Foley called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M..

members present: John Wallace (Barrington), Emily Schmalzer (Brentwood), Mary Ann Krebs, Anne Lightbody Dick Lord, (Durham), Joe Foley (Epping), Kitty Miller (Lee), Jerry Martin, Michelle Shattuck (Newmarket) Therese Thompson (Nottingham), Ann Scholz (Northwood)

staff present: Jim MacCartney, Suzanne Petersen

absent: Cris Blackstone, Al Hall, Carolyn Matthews, Ric Raymond, Jason Settineri

summary of motions passed:

- **Joe Foley made a motion to approve the Pawtuckaway Lake Improvement Association request for a community grant for up to \$5697.00. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Joe Foley made a motion to extend the commitment of funds for the Durham land protection project for another 6 months through October 21, 2020. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Joe Foley made a motion to approve the FY2021 budget as presented. Mary Ann Krebs second. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Joe Foley made a motion to approve the Wetherbee Creative proposal for \$15,000 to upgrade and redesign the website. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

approval of minutes from January 21, 2020:

Joe Foley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Minutes were approved with 8 yes votes and 3 abstentions.

Pawtuckaway Lake Improvement Association grant proposal:

The association submitted an application for a community grant that will fund equipment to perform enhanced detection of invasive variable milfoil. The group has been doing this work for several years and has been successful in controlling the spread of the plant, but the spread continues and detection using underwater visualization by divers is difficult and inefficient. Side scan sonar will enable the team to survey the entire lake and take corrective action more quickly and efficiently. The equipment can also be used on areas of the Lamprey that can accommodate a small skiff. This will be a pilot project for New Hampshire and offers many opportunities to instruct other water groups about protecting ecological and recreational values of water bodies in light of increasing invasive plant spread. The amount requested is \$5697.00.

Joe Foley made a motion to approve the Pawtuckaway Lake Improvement Association request for a community grant for up to \$5697.00. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

extention of time for Durham land protection project:

In December 2018, the committee approved funding for up to \$50,000 for a land protection project in Durham with the proviso that the deal be completed by Dec. 31, 2019. In December 2019, the committee voted to extend the deadline by 3 months. The project has been complicated by several factors, but completion seems assured in the next few months. Dick Lord recused himself from all discussion and voting. **Joe Foley made a motion to extend the commitment of funds for the Durham land protection project for another 6 months through October 21, 2020. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

draft FY 2021 budget:

The draft budget was shared and reviewed. **Joe Foley made a motion to approve the FY2021 budget as presented. Mary Ann Krebs second. Motion passed unanimously.**

website upgrade and redesign:

Requests for proposals were submitted to three design firms and two submitted proposals. The website screening group reviewed both proposals and made the recommendation to contract with Wetherbee Creative. The Wetherbee proposal and a summary of the screening group findings were shared prior to the meeting. **Joe Foley made a motion to approve the Wetherbee Creative proposal for \$15,000 to upgrade and redesign the website. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

Lee tree house:

A large tree house built on conserved land in violation of the deed was discussed. Chairman Joe Foley sent a letter to the Lee Select Board to support efforts by the town to have the structure removed.

future remote meetings:

A suggestion was made to explore the use of Zoom for future meetings so that participants and documents could be seen by all. No decision was made, but participants noted an openness to the platform as long as people could participate by phone if home computers were not compatible.

adjournment:

Dick Lord made a motion to adjourn. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

roll-call vote tally

rep	present	Jan. minutes	Pawtuckaway Lake grant	Durham land protection	FY2021 budget	website
Blackstone, Cris	n	-	-	-	-	-
Foley, Joe	y	motion y	motion y	motion y	motion y	motion y
Hall, Al	n	-	-	-	-	-
Krebs, Mary Ann	y	second y	second y	second y	second y	second y
Lightbody, Anne	y	abstain	y	y	y	y
Lord, Dick	y	y	y	recused	y	y

Martin, Jerry	y	y	y	y	y	y
Matthews, Carolyn	n	-	-	-	-	-
Miller, Kitty	y	y	y	y	y	y
Raymond, Ric	n	-	-	-	-	-
Schmalzer, Emily	y	y	y	y	y	y
Scholz, Ann	y	abstain	y	y	y	y
Settineri, Jason	n	-	-	-	-	-
Shattuck, Michelle	y	abstain	y	y	y	y
Thompson, Therese	y	y	y	y	y	y
Wallace, John	y	y	y	y	y	y