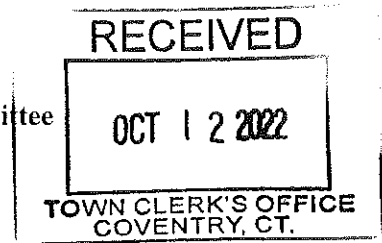


Coventry Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee
July 10, 2022
Regular Meeting Minutes
(ZOOM Video Conference)



Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Coventry Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee was called to order on Monday July 11, 2022, at 7:08 p.m. via ZOOM Video Conference by Chair Debby Zeppa. Other members present were Charles Brown, Scott Gallo, and Rich Pearson.

Secretary's Report: On a motion by Mr. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brown, minutes of the June 13, 2022 regular meeting were approved unanimously.

Special Business/Audience of Citizens: None.

Old Business

Lake Gate Update: Mr. Gallo noted that Coventry Director of Public Works Bill Watkins emailed today reporting that the gate reading this morning was at 92.75, slightly lower than the summer target, the gate is fully closed, and the new winch system is in place at the front gate.

Hydrilla Update: Chair Zeppa reported that Dr. Kortmann is monitoring water quality/turbidity, and will keep the Committee informed. SOLitude is expected to conduct hydrilla prevention applications starting in July, extending into September. Members will be on alert for public signage alerting residents/users about safety precautions.

Summer Newsletter: Mr. Gallo requested each Committee member to closely review the article s/he had produced in the draft newsletter previously circulated and provide proposed edits.

Libraries Love Lakes: Chair Zeppa noted that the program is scheduled for Saturday, July 16, 11:00 a.m. at Millbrook Place Gazebo. Ms. Imhoff anticipates approximately 25 participants. Ms. Zeppa will provide a program poster to Mr. Brown to post on the Committee's Facebook page, and to Ms. Borukas for the CLC distribution list.

Secchi Disk Reading 2022: Mr. Pearson reported he had conducted an initial reading on July 10, had forwarded that information to Chair Zeppa, and was working on uploading the data to the CT DEEP CT Lake Watch website. Ms. Zeppa will provide available background information from prior years. Mr. Pearson intends to conduct future readings every two weeks, and will coordinate efforts with Ms. Zeppa.

Facebook Updates: Mr. Brown noted that he would post the Libraries Love Lakes program poster provided by Ms. Zeppa, the Summer 2022 Newsletter, and the update on aquatic plants, to the Committee's Facebook page.

September Forum Planning: Chair Zeppa proposed addressing this topic in detail at the August regular meeting. A key issue is whether to hold the meeting in-person, or virtually. Members briefly discussed inviting: Dr. Kortmann to discuss the hydrilla/aquatic plants situation; Mr. Watkins to address the gate; and Mr. Kilby to discuss water patrol efforts. Other ideas will be considered on August 8.

New Business: None

Correspondence/Communication: No significant items of correspondence were received or submitted since the Committee's last meeting of June 13, 2022. Chair Zeppa noted her intention to follow-up with the Journal Inquirer to rectify misinformation in last week's "Coventry wants to keep the lake clean" article by Connor Linskey.

Members Forum: No further discussion.

Adjournment: There being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Pearson, Secretary
Coventry Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee

(These minutes are not official until approved by the Committee at its next meeting)