

Coventry Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee
September 12, 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 September 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. via ZOOM Video Conference by Chair Debby Zeppa. Other members present were Charles Brown, Carly Imhoff, Amanda Slater, and Rich Pearson.

Secretary's Report: On a motion by Mr. Pearson, seconded by Ms. Zeppa, members approved minutes of the August 8, 2022 regular meeting. Chair Zeppa, Ms. Imhoff, and Ms. Slater and Mr. Pearson voted to approve. Ms. Mr. Brown abstained, having been absent on August 8.

Special Business/Audience of Citizens: None

Old Business

Lake Gate Update: Chair Zeppa noted that no updated gate reading report on had been received from Coventry Director of Public Works Bill Watkins since the August 8 meeting.

Hydrilla Update: Chair Zeppa reported the third and final round of hydrilla treatment for 2022 is scheduled for September 20.

Toxic Blue-Green Algae Bloom Update: Chair Zeppa noted that, per previous reporting by Dr. Kortmann and the Eastern Highland Health District, cyanobacteria conditions had improved significantly. Concern remains about an additional autumn bloom, depending on weather conditions and water temperature, to be closely monitored.

Secchi Disk Reading 2022 Update: Mr. Pearson reported he had conducted readings on August 14, August 21, August 28, and September 4, that water clarity had significantly improved during that period, and that he would forward a table with that information to all Committee members for review and comment. Additional weekly readings will be conducted through the end of September.

Facebook Updates: Chair Zeppa and Mr. Brown agreed to post to the Committee's Facebook page this weekend and again on Monday the poster announcing the annual State of the Lake Forum. That poster will also be forwarded to Lorraine Borukas for distribution to the CLC list.

September Forum Planning: Chair Zeppa noted that the September 20 forum will be held in the Coventry High School auditorium at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Kortmann, Bob Miller from EHHD and representatives of DEEP are expected to provide information at that session. She noted that she would forward to members for review the two slides that will be used at the forum to summarize treatment and monitoring efforts this year. The session can be seen live on Spectrum Public Access Channel 194, livestreamed on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AcA8869919c>, and the video recording will be posted on the Town's website.

New Business

Lake Advisory Web Page Overhaul: Chair Zeppa noted recent discussions with Town staff about possible efforts to promote synergy among the Committee, the Inland Wetlands Commission, and the Conservation Commission to address shared priorities and communicate effectively with residents in a user-friendly manner.

Correspondence/Communication: No significant items of correspondence were received or submitted since the Committee's last meeting of August 8, 2022.

Members Forum: No additional discussion.

Adjournment: With no additional business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 10, 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)