

**LAKE WYOLA ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
***Draft Minutes***

April 20, 2024, at 9:00 AM  
Via Zoom and at the Town Hall

Members present: Catherine Hilton, Mary David, Walter Tibbetts, Howard Kinder, John Gorey, and Mark Rivers

Guests: Jennifer Wallace, Tom Siefert, and Tracy McNaughton

1. The minutes from the **March 16, 2024**, meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. Discussion of Lake Wyola Association Road Maintenance Plan

George Abdow provided a review of the LWA's plans for association road maintenance. The planning process starts with Dave Boron doing an assessment of all the association roads and then develops a prioritized list of needed maintenance needs, including budgets. The LWA board then further prioritizes the work based on their available budget which is typically around \$13,000. Additionally, the Conservation Commission requested additional work be performed on Shore and Pine Drive which was also forwarded to Dave Boron. A copy of the ConCom letter will be forwarded to the LWAC membership.

3. Update on the 2024 Notice of Intent and 2025 Dam Repair

GZA received a letter from NHESP stating that the lake's endangered species is the bridge shiner. They are planning to meet with NHESP to determine if the 2-foot drawdown would have an effect on the shiner population.

They are also reviewing historical documentation and are looking for the dam keeper's logs for evidence that the drawdown has been an ongoing practice for many years. Howard is in possession of records for the past 10 years. Records prior to that are stored in the town archives.

Needed repairs to the dam were documented in February 2024 LWAC minutes with an estimated cost of \$80,000. It is too late to have those funds allocated in the FY-25 budget, so the work will need to wait until FY26.

4. FRCOG Watershed-Based Plan

No updates were available.

5. Storm Water Erosion Around the Lake

At our March meeting, several members and guests discussed problems with storm water erosion issues. The committee decided to form a Task Force to look into the possibility of a public-private partnership to help fund improvements around the lake to reduce stormwater erosion and silt contamination. A task force needs to be approved by the Select Board and the subject should be on their May 7<sup>th</sup> agenda.

A copy of notes that Jennifer Wallace wrote will be forwarded to LWAC members.

6. Car Parking Below the Dam

Mary noted that cars are again parking on Locks Pond Road below the dam. Mark agreed to send a request to the highway department, town administrator and the police chief reminding them that the “no parking” signs be installed.

7. Committee Scope

Discussion of the Committee’s scope will be postponed until our May meeting.

The meeting ended at 9:45

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2024.