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## **Lake Management Committee Minutes / January 11, 2017 at 4pm**

Community Room, 39 South St, Hinsdale, MA

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Members Present: Tom Andrews, Jim Manning, Dick Scialabba, Nancy Smith, Greg Tremblay, Larry Turner

Members absent: Don Madison Rick Koch, Jodi Ouimette

The meeting was called to order at 4pm.

Review and approval of September 12, 2016 minutes. Motion made, seconded and approved by all.

Status of proposed amendments to Orders of Condition, Ashmere 181-77 & Plunkett 181-86

Jim met with ConCom in October 2016 to discuss the proposed amendments, concept was approved. Legal notice of proposed amendments appeared in Berkshire Eagle in December 2016. Jim met with ConCom January 10, 2017 and they voted the final approval of the amendments.

Review of Proposed Solitude Contract for FY18, 2017 Treatment Program

After committee members reviewed contracts the following changes or recommendations were discussed:

- Pre-treatment survey to be conducted in early June, not May
- Post-treatment survey to be conducted in September
- Summary of 2016 Fall Survey should state that there was a significant growth of clasping-leaf pondweed during the summer in Ashmere's north basin.
- Proposed payment schedule needs to all be contained within FY18 (July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018)
- Eliminate or not sign/approve Plunkett European Naiad contract.
- Request that a representative from LMC be allow to accompany Solitude's treatments of Ashmere. This request to dispel the comments from some Ashmere residents that stated Solitude in 2016 only made brief or did not make any treatment to problem areas.

Motion was made, seconded and approved that these changes be made to the Solitude contracts for FY18.

Review and Discussion of LMC FY18 Proposed Budget

Proposed budget was present by Jim and reviewed in detail by the committee, with discussion of each Account. Most accounts remain the same as funded for FY17, with the exception the Phragmites account reduced from \$4,900 to \$2,500 and the Plunkett Treatment Account increased from \$4,900 to \$5,100 for FY18. Motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

Plunkett Gate Valve and Spillway

The Plunkett gate valve must be replaced and a committee, which Jim and Larry are members, is currently meeting with engineering firms to finalize specifications needed to put this project out for bids.

This will be a major capital program, estimated costs could range from \$250,000 (already appropriated at May 2016 Annual Town Meeting) to \$500,000.

There is a Special Town Meeting scheduled for January 18, 2017 where articles for the Plunkett Gate Valve will be presented for approval.

Spillway needs to be replaced, this will also be a major capital program, could be in excess of \$1,000,000, State Dam Safety is indicating this needs to be done in the immediate future.

Open Discussion.

With no additional comments a motion was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Manning, Chair