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## 05/01/2012 Minutes

VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP                      SPY POND COMMITTEE  
May 1, 2012 MEETING                                      Town Hall Annex, First Floor

In attendance: Brad Barber, Joey Glushko, Jane Howard, Elizabeth Karpati, Bob and Harriet Noyes, Stroker Rogovin.    Facilitator:  
Brad Barber    Minutes: Elizabeth Karpati

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as amended.

Trails Day: The Arlington High School students as well as the Arlington-Belmont crew have another event on May 12 and cannot participate, but an assistant Scoutmaster has offered to come with several Scouts. Jane will announce Trails Day at Town Meeting. Brad can supply a weed wrench.

Goose eggs have been added. It takes several visits -- Jacob Friis, Bill Eykamp, and Brad did it over a four-week period. It was noted that the Res now has too many swans, sometimes a dozen or more, as well as geese, and may need population control.

Planting plan after phragmites: Brad has discussed his plan with Cori Beckwith of the Con Com. Cori said to keep it simple, plant several things this year and see what grows well, then plant more of that. Brad has a supply of seeds and proposed getting some volunteers to start spreading them in May. We will also buy some "plugs" of plants with help from the Con Com's stewardship fund and the Kelwyn Manor Association.

A meeting is to be set up in the next couple of weeks for the committee with Aquatic Control Technologies, the Planning Department, DPW, and the Board of Health.

An informal footpath along a piece of the shoreline south from the Boys & Girls Club has been used by the public for years, but now a part of it has been closed off (the current owner has two territorial dogs). The Town would like to keep it open and is looking into whether the property lines run all the way to the water.

The Vision 2020 year-end event has been settled: it will a potluck on June 19 at the Senior Center.

Topic for June 5 meeting: discuss how we are following the Vision 2020 environmental goal and the goals adopted by Town Meeting for Spy Pond.