VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP SPY POND COMMITTEE - MARCH 3, 2015 MEETING –

Approved April 7, 2015 Town Hall Annex, First Floor

In attendance: Brad Barber, Bill Eykamp, Joey Glushko, Jane Howard, Elizabeth Karpati, Bob

and Harriet Noyes, Stroker Rogovin.

Facilitator: Brad Barber Minutes: Elizabeth Karpati

2015 meetings: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 7, May 5, TBD (Summer Break Social at Brad's), Sept. 2, Oct. 4, *Oct.* 27, Dec. 1. Town Hall Annex, first floor except June.

- The **minutes** of the previous meeting were accepted as amended: we will request \$300 (not \$200) for boat rentals for the Spy Pond Fun Day (new name for Spy Pond Splash) May 30...
- **Presentation to the Finance Committee**: Our group included Brad and Jane as well as Martine Gougault for the Reservoir Committee. The Fin Com heard us but did not yet vote on our request for \$40,000 for the water bodies fund.
- **Permits**: Joey reported that Teresa DeBenedictis (DPW) will find out how much it would cost if ACT did all the work necessary to get the permits for planned water treatments. Request to the Con Com would probably be made at its April 16 meeting. The permit to finish the steps below the bench has already been extended.
- Bill Eykamp noted that a **fish** kill is possible if light is cut off from Spy Pond for too long by thick snow over the ice.
- Trails Day, May 16: Brad will check if the Arlington-Belmont crew will be available. The Boys & Girls Club has its own Saturday programs and is unlikely to participate but Jane will ask about putting up a poster there..
- The **fertilizer flyer** would have to be ready by mid-March to be distributed with the Neighborhood Newsletter. Then Jane could use help inserting the flyer into the newsletter.
- Bill reported that much of the **chain-link fence** along the Rt. 2 path has been damaged, apparently by snowplows pushing too much snow against it. Brad will call MassHighway in case the damage has not yet been noticed from the Rt. 2 side.
- Jane suggested inviting the Con Com to one of our meetings to discuss taking care of water bodies. The Con Com has had money appropriated to it for a survey of water bodies and for plant identification.