

Spy Pond Committee

Date: Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Teleconference

Minutes

Attendance: Bill Eykamp, Brad Barber, Brian Battuello, Carol Kycia, David Kaplan, Dick Terry, Irwin Winkler, Jacob Friis, Judi Berman, Steve Ricci, Stroker Rogovin

Facilitator: Brad Barber Minutes: Brian Battuello

- 1. Introductions All participants introduced themselves. Brad reported that a fisherman caught a 13" yellow perch.
- 2. December Minutes Approved.
- 3. Fertilizer Flyer

Steve talked about problems delivering the flyer. Brian suggested trying to find electronic mailing lists. Several lists were suggested. Brad will talk with the conservation commission about distribution. Jacob will work on a draft with help from Bill Eykamp

4. Spy Pond Trails Day Cancelled

As discussed last month, Trails Day is cancelled due to sandbar dredging and Covid restrictions. A cleanup may occur later this year.

5. Dredging the Sandbar

Bill spotted several people walking on the sandbar. Still on the schedule for spring. The pond will not need to be lowered.

6. DEP Water Quality Study of Spy Pond

Spy Pond is one of the waterbodies in the 2019-2022 study for the alternative MDL of the Mystic River Watershed. The 2019 data will be available soon. Discussion of the many factors collected.

7. Lake Management Plan for 2021

Discussion of sediments and rooted plants. Discussion of pros and cons of using herbicides to manage plant growth and phosphorus. Brad asked if it was necessary to knock down all growth or if there was some way to keep it

at an acceptable level. Discussion of pond plant survey techniques. Brad discussed bringing in a researcher to document the state of the pond.

- 8. New Business
 Brian reported that the pond is covered with ice.
- 9. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 2nd, 2021.
- 10. Adjournment at 8:41pm.