

Spy Pond Committee

Date: Tuesday, April 6nd, 2021

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Teleconference

Minutes

Attendance: Brad Barber, Agnes O'Donnell, Bill Eykamp, Bob Noyes,

Brian Battuello, Dick Terry, Jacob Friis, Judi Berman

Facilitator: Brad Barber Minutes: Brian Battuello

1. March minutes approved

2. Introductions

Discussion of swans and great horn owls

3. Dredging the sandbar

A dredge was allegedly seen but could not be confirmed. Discussion of closing of the Route 2 path. Dredging should start in a few weeks.

4. Fertilizer flyer

Agnes reported on her discussion with the condo superintendent about trash entering the pond. Brad reported on distribution sites.

5. Geese

Jacob reported on geese on the pond.

6. Spy Pond treatments

All usual treatments have been approved. Agnes discussed how we might

improve communication about pond treatments. Discussion of creating a mini-class to educate students about pond maintenance.

7. Sediment core with Paul Smith's College

Brad talked about a detailed study of White Pond done by Curt Stager of Paul Smiths College (New York). One core sample went back 1600 years. Brad talked with him about the possibility of core samples from Spy Pond next winter.

8. Monitor sediment depth, algae, and aquatic plants

Brad discussed historic records and talked about ways to document the state of the pond.

9. New business

Agnes asked if we are going to do another vinegar treatment. Jacob asked if we could ask Mass DOT to clean up on the Route 2 side of the fence.

- 10. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 4 at a time and location to be determined by the weather.
- 11. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm