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Christie Ward*

LAKE MANSFIELD IMPROVEMENT TASK FORCE MINUTES JUNE 16.1914

PRESENT: C. Ward (chairperson), D. Abrams, J. Dezieck, R. Dlugosz, N. Evans, B. Nelson, D. Phillips, K. Plungis, J. Sokul

NEXT MEETING: July 14, 2014 at 8:30 AM, Town Hall

1. MINUTES OF 4/1/14: Approved as written.
2. UPDATES:
 - **CHANGING ROOM :** Approved by Conservation Commission; orders cut and given to contractor, thence to have final work done by LMA volunteers. Project will cost around \$2500
 - **MET GRANT:** No news.
 - **BOAT LAUNCH LAND IN QUESTION:** Legal research continues.
 - **INVASIVE LAKE WEED CONTROL:** Betsy McTiernan wants to spearhead hand-pulling of lake weeds. Since the greatest weed impediment for swimmers is coontail, a native species which forms dense rafts near the surface, two questions immediately arise: 1) Is it legal to pull natives without permitting? and 2) Would removal of too many weeds simply lead to algal overgrowth?
 - **PARKING AT BOAT LAUNCH:** J. Sokul will put up a sign that parked cars must not block lake access.
 - **LETTER FROM DOG OWNER WHOSE DOG ATE FISH HOOK:** Discussed; since even when fishers are scrupulous, some hooks will get lost in use it was felt that this unfortunate occurrence didn't mandate intervention.
3. **REVIEW OF 5/21/14 SITE VISIT:** Please see attached excellent summary, prepared by D. Abrams, of lake and road improvement steps. Narrative summary of visit itself provided by c. ward. The following points came up in the ensuing discussion:
 - D. Phillips will bring the document to the next Strategic Planning meeting. It will also be brought to the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission; public forums will take place afterwards, this fall.
 - Replacing in kind is always permitted.
 - Do we need a comprehensive plan initially or just one for critical maintenance of culverts?
 - C. Ward received a letter from a road-abutting property owner endorsing one-way traffic for Lake Mansfield Road.

Nina Evans, Recording Secretary