

- > Call to Order; review agenda
- > Ponds issue
 - Meeting with Beach Administrator (Suzanne Thomas)
 - Future Ponds agenda: APCC, abutters, etc
- > Revised NRAB charter; see attached
- > HDLTA issue; see attached
 - Neoplasia
- > Dredging and "Curley" projects
 - Wellfleet Harbor Conference
- > Minutes of September 15 and September 23
- > Next meeting agenda
- > Adjourn

ATM 1987, Art. 52 [voice vote]

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1. The creation of a Harbor Management Plan.
2. The continuous review and updating of the Shellfish Management Plan and Harbor Management Plan.
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1. The creation of a Harbor Management Plan and a Ponds Management Plan, each on roughly a ten year cycle
2. Provide guidance to the Shellfish Advisory Board on key harbor environmental issues for a Shellfish Management plan.
3. Co-operate & liaise with other Town committees as needed
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Attending: Herb Gstalder, John Duane, Laura Hewitt, Tom Slack, John Riehl

> Call to order 9:05 am

> Status of ATM articles

- New dredging option – request for proposals nearly ready for mailing; work
In co-operation with Town Purchasing Agent, Rebecca Slick
- Harbor survey (“Curley”) – submitted for vote to Selectboard on September 28

> Harbor Management Plan – also resubmitted to Selectboard; if approved to be posted
on our Town website

> Revised NRAB charter – also submitted to Selectboard for September 28

> Ponds

- Phone meeting with CCNS, Dr Sophia Fox and Geoff Sanders
 - > Wellfleet ponds basically in good shape
 - > Temperature rise is concerning, as is rising pH
 - > Hg levels continue high for fish
 - > Vegetation. Phragmites in Williams & Gull; also Milfoil in places
 - > No CCNS monitoring in 2017/2019/2021. No long term guarantee
 - > Each pond is unique, with varying ground water flows & depth
- Phone meeting with Suzanne-Grout Thomas, Beach Administrator
 - > Notes are attached
 - > Overuse at Duck Pond, Long Pond and Sluiceway remain
 - > Hg and fish remain an issue
 - > Need a shoreline action plan

> Rights of Public Access Committee

- Loss of access on “beachway” at Lt Island bridge; sea level rise a likely
contributer

> Minute of July 8 2021 approved as drafted; 4-0

- > Call to order September 15 2021, 12:20 am

- > Attending: Laura Hewitt, John Duane, Herb Gstalter, John Riehl
Guests: Dr Sophia Fox & Geoff Sanders – CCNS

- > Key takeaways:
 - > Wellfleet ponds are basically in good condition, especially compared to down cape
 - > Cyanobacteria risk is controlled by nitrogen, phosphorous and temperature (which is rising)
 - > each pond is different, with a range of ground water flows
 - > Hg still a concern

- > Meeting closed 1:15 pm

