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Lake Beseck Environment Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Present: Rick Santos, Jim Irish, Craig Lundell, Carmi Kowalewski, Aleta Cromack, Robert Yamartino

Topic/Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Opening	Meeting opened at 7:10 pm Minutes reviewed. Jim made a motion to approve minutes. Craig seconded. All agreed.	
Public comment	No public present	
EutroPHIX Water Management	Jim contacted Shannon Junior a Water Quality Technical Specialist at EutroPHIX a division at SePRO and expert at whole lake restoration. Subsequently, Jim and Rick had a Microsoft Teams meeting with Shannon. Jim presented to the Committee the EutroPHIX PowerPoint presentation. Water restoration based on three steps: Assessment, Prescription with Effective Tools and Implementation. The first steps have begun with EutroPHIX reviewing available water data from AER and All Habitat and creating a water quality database. EutroPHIX recommends critical sediment (lakebed) testing as a necessary assessment for assessment of the phosphorus already within the lake. Rick presented a proposal from All Habitat/SePRO for dredge sediment sampling and testing in (9) different spots and depths.	

All Habitat/EutroPHIX Proposal	The Committee accepted proposal from ALL Habitat for sediment sampling and testing was presented to Bob earlier in the week for his review. The First Selectman stated that he wanted All Habitat to prepare an Addendum to the existing contract for his signature.	Rick to contact All Habitat to have them prepare an addendum to be presented to Bob and Finance for review and signature.
2026 6-Foot Drawdown	DEEP and the NDDB have opened their database for application (online only) for lake drawdowns for 2026.	The Environment Committee to work on the application. All plant and mussel studies will be reviewed for any changes related to the drawdown.

Selectman report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Hall newsletter has been successful and well received • First Selectman, Bob, presented Budget on March First • Public Safety Hearing and Referendum on the Public Safety Complex building is postponed pending review by Bonding Counsel • Church exploratory committee evaluating the purchase of the Federated Church building and school, and Town Green Property 	
Miscellaneous	Lisa McCabe attended Aquatic Plant Workshop & OASIS Update on March 1 at CAES in New Haven	Lisa to provide presentation

Adjournment	Motion to adjourn accepted. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.	
Respectfully submitted, Richard Santos		