



**City of Amesbury  
Lakes and Waterways Commission  
Meeting of May 16th, 2013  
Amesbury Health Center Cafeteria**

**MEETING MINUTES:**

Commission members present: Chairman Bruce Georgian, Laura Pooler,  
*Secretary:* Ken Aspeslagh  
*City Engineer:* Not present

The meeting began at 6:35 PM.

1. **Previous Meeting Minutes:** The meeting minutes from Apr 18th, 2013 were approved unanimously.
2. **Engineers Report:** Not present
3. **Other business:** Meetings dates will change going forward: Moving meetings to the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.
4. **Lower Millyard:** No news
5. **Membership:** Member request went to newspaper. Should we remove inactive members from the group? What is the policy for doing that? Bruce will ask mayor what we should do.
6. **Greenscapes:**
  - a. Bruce attended the Greenscapes 101 informational session organized by the Lake Gardner Improvement Association.
  - b. Greenscapes is a coalition of 8 towns which pay a fee to belong to it. It's an educational group that provides information about environmentally friendly landscaping to protect lakes waterways.
  - c. Costs town maybe \$1500 and fills part of the EPA phase 2 storm-water compliance program. Satisfies educational dimension as well as others. Greenscapes can act as consultants to town.
  - d. Bruce wants to talk to Pete and Rob to recommend Amesbury becoming a member.
  - e. Ken will link to it from greenscapes.org from Lakes and Waterways page.
7. **Website:** Ken will make sure to update next meeting schedule, day of week. Review for relevance.
8. **Assessment Document:**
  - a. Ken started Executive summary information. Bruce will finish it. Will add contact information for each lake group.
  - b. Will post on site.
  - c. At next meeting will do risk assessments, bullet points, and recommendations.
9. **Lake Statuses:**
  - a. Again, we should still get someone from Lake Attitash to let us know how the milfoil issues are going.
  - b. Need representatives from other lakes.
  - c. LGIA having canoe orienteering. Cleared trails. Poison Ivy is bad this year.
10. **River Cleanup:** Laura found out her work has their quota for projects already. No other progress.
11. **Goals Review:** We should update the goals spreadsheet. Still need more members. Update completion date to September. Involvement in lower Millyard to continue. No progress on river cleanup. Ken will update spreadsheet and send to group.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

The next meeting is June 27th.