



**City of Amesbury
Lakes and Waterways Commission
Meeting of Oct 24, 2013
Amesbury Health Center Cafeteria**

MEETING MINUTES:

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

The meeting began at 6:42 PM.

1. **Previous Meeting Minutes:** The meeting minutes from September were approved unanimously.
2. **Watershed Management Plan from 2010:**
 - a. This plan, created by the Lakes and Waterways Commission in 2010, tells the city and DPW how we manage the watershed (levels, controls, emergencies, etc.)
 - b. The Commission will start the review process with a read and recommend. Plan must be updated and renewed.
 - c. We're in the one-year extension period at this time.
3. **Engineers Report:** none
4. **Millyard update:** none
5. **Membership:** We should run an article in the newspaper to reach out to new members.
6. **Drawdowns:** Lakes Gardner does not appear to be going down.
7. **Invasives:**
 - a. Alex is investigating grants from state to address the issues of invasives entering our lakes. Trying to contact someone from the Office of Coastal Zone Management with little success. <http://www.northeastans.org>
 - b. Bruce is researching chemical herbicides that seem reasonably priced. Alex is trying to figure out what is allowed legally. **Bruce will make a list of chemicals we can investigate.**
8. **Grants:** none
9. **Lake Assessment:** Alex trying to contact John Higgins about data collected by now defunct Powow River Watershed Association but hasn't been able to find contact info.
10. **Lake Updates:**
 - a. **Bailey's Pond:** At this point we don't know anything about that status of this development project.
 - b. **Lake Attitash:** Bruce to write to Cindy to ask if she can recommend anyone for the group.
11. **Other business:** none

The meeting adjourned 7:34 PM. The next meeting is November 21st because the 28th is Thanksgiving.