

Ball Pond Advisory Committee  
**Minutes**  
January 7, 2016

A regular meeting of the Ball Pond Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, January 7, 2016 in the Town Hall conference room.

Vice Chairman Gary Mummert called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Members Helen Gallagher, George Buck, and Dave Winslow were in attendance. Four members were enough for a quorum. Mark Spellmann arrived at 7:05 p.m. Cynthia Stevens could not attend.

Approval of Minutes:

Helen Gallagher made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2015 regular meeting as amended. George Buck seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0-0 (Motion Approved)

General Correspondence:

Gary Mummert reviewed the Town report on spending. There is approx. \$2500 in the account. However, there are still two outstanding payments to be made- one for George Benson for \$600 and one for Hydro Technologies for water testing. After making those payments there should be \$1200 to \$1300 in the account for weed control.

Public comment: none

Old Business:

Carp Study update:

- Gary Mummert reported that the Carp Study has now been delayed until the end of January.

New Business

2016-2017 Budget

- Gary Mummert reported that there were two line items that needed to be voted on at this time: salaries at \$483.00 and Lake Management at \$7471 for a total of \$7954. This is the same number as last fiscal year.
- In reviewing last year's budget for comparison purposes there was some discussion on how many carp to request in the 2016-2017 budget. There was a general consensus that 100 carp should be requested to cover the 15% of 440 and to account for the carp not eating coontail as quickly as milfoil.

Dave Winslow made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 Budget. George Buck seconded the motion.

Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)

#### Election of Chair and Vice Chair

- Helen Gallagher made a motion to elect Cynthia Stevens to the position of Chair.
- George Buck seconded the motion.

Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)

- Mark Spellman made a motion to elect Gary Mummert to the position of Vice Chair.
- Helen Gallagher seconded the motion.

Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)

There was a general consensus to change future meeting times to 7:15 p.m.

#### Weed Removal

- Gary Mummert requested that the committee come to an agreement on weed removal priorities. The committee agreed with the following order for priorities:
  1. Pink Lillies. They are invasive.
  2. Large Floating Clumps
  3. Town Beach
  4. One path to Huhlawah Beach area
  5. Other areas to be determined based on BPAC observations and available funding.
- Gary Mummert asked the committee to become involved with determining where paths should be cut in dense areas, perhaps with a group committee visit. He also wants a layout drawing after the paths have been cut to help the committee determine if they are helping with weed control.
- George Buck mentioned that the priority for cutting channels should be in areas where people swim, not fishing or non-swimming areas.

#### Adjournment:

- The next regular meeting of the Ball Pond Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, February 3, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. in the Town Hall conference room.
- Dave Winslow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m; Mark Spellman seconded the motion.

Vote: 5-0-0 (Motion Approved)

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Arasim  
Recording Secretary