

The Board of Selectmen held an informational meeting on July 24, 2012 at the Bolton Senior Center. Present were: First Selectman Robert Morra; Selectman Ray Walker; Consultant George Knoecklein; and approximately 40 residents.

Mr. Morra began the informational meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Knoecklein and Mr. Morra provided an explanation as to the current course of actions:

- \* water sampling being done spring and fall, this year and next
- \* Fanwort weed must be dealt with first before it spreads; it is being pulled in July by a contracted company; and it can take at least 2 to 3 years to address
- \* due to Fanwort, dangerous to do anything else right now such as harvesting or could make situation worse
- \* currently not enough information available on the lake
- \* impacts of sewers is not fully known
- \* nutrients are getting into the lake from possibly water fowl, lawn run off and/or leaching
- \* need to evaluate information and lake conditions as move along

A question and answer period followed:

- \* Long term plan-may involve harvesting or chemicals, but would be a small area each year; concern about possible spreading of undesirables through harvesting; approval of chemical use by DEEP is difficult to obtain
- \* Drawdown of 10 feet-a substantial drawdown would work but request to DEEP will not be approved
- \* Introduction of other aquatic species-weed eating carp had been used in past but not a viable solution
- \* Homeowner removal of invasives-need to know what looking for and proper way to remove; once put on land and dries out, can be put in garden

Mr. Knoecklein encouraged the residents to form an association. He also offered further help to residents in small groups.

A follow up seminar will be held on August 13, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. An email list of interested individuals was created. The meeting ended at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert R. Morra,  
First Selectman

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