



**WARNER'S POND TASK FORCE  
Subcommittee on Dam Removal**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Location of meeting:** Virtual meeting via Zoom

**In attendance:** Malcolm Bryant, Jeff Collins, Elizabeth Morrison-Howe, Samiksha Poudel, Sven Weber.

**Apologies:** Vicki Alani

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Jeff Collins.  
Malcolm Bryant agreed to take the minutes.

Malcolm proposed acceptance of the minutes of the meeting held on January 9<sup>th</sup>.  
Seconded by Sven and unanimously approved.

Public Input: In attendance were Anna Feldweg, Elissa Brown and Alan Bogosian. There was no public input to the meeting.

**Budget Changes in the Proposal:** Jeff explained that the small group, meeting to reconcile the three proposals had made changes to the budget presentations in an attempt to provide direct comparability between the three proposals. In addition, budgets were being presented as two figures: 1. Lower estimate 2. Upper estimate. To arrive at the upper estimate for the dam removal, a further 1,000 feet of stream stabilization was added to address concerns that the original plan did not allow for additional spending if there was a need for further work should complications arise. The subcommittee members concurred with the changes without a formal vote.

In addition, Jeff noted that there was still debate about the "sunk" costs, and how to represent these. The subcommittee asked that sunk costs should be displayed in the proposal, but as a separate item from the individual budgets. This would represent all prior expenditures leading up to the present moment by line item. Jeff will transmit this view to the small committee.

The subcommittee asked that the term "Stabilization" be used rather "Engineering" for the stream channel. It was noted that it was not yet clear whether a new mapping of the FEMA flood plain would be necessary following dam removal.

**Preparation of the presentation for April 3:** The committee asked Jeff to put together a draft of the five slides required by the Task Force, and Liz and Malcolm to put together a draft of the Poster. We plan to meet again in 3 weeks to discuss these before submission on the 24<sup>th</sup> March.

There was no further public input, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.