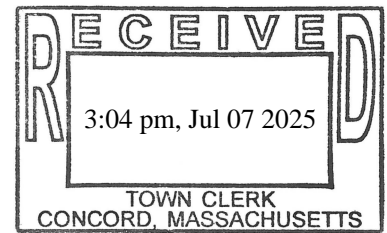


Warner's Pond Task Force
Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2025



Pursuant to the notice filed with the Town Clerk, a public meeting of the Warner's Pond Task Force convened virtually at 6:30 pm.

Chris Denaro called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. A roll call confirmed that the following Task Force Members were present: Malcolm Bryant, Jeff Collins, Chris Denaro, Mark Howell, Delia Kaye, Bill Kemeza, Liz Morrison-Howe, and David Owen.

On a motion made by Bill and seconded by Liz, the May 22, 2025 minutes were approved as amended. Bill Kemeza: AYE, Mark Howell: AYE. Liz Morrison-Howe: AYE. Jeff Collins: AYE. Malcolm Bryant: AYE. David Owen: AYE. Chris Denaro: AYE.

The Task Force then turned its attention to an Open Meeting Law complaint filed by Paul Macone on June 7, 2025. The group discussed how to address the complaint and focused on a comprehensive review of missing meeting minutes. Chris Denaro presented a spreadsheet detailing which minutes were outstanding, emphasizing the need to assign responsibility for their completion. Most of the missing minutes pertained to subcommittee meetings and site visits.

Delia Kaye noted that the consultant was finalizing the minutes from the June 12 full Task Force meeting, and she volunteered to draft the minutes from this meeting. Chris Denaro agreed to write up the minutes for all site visits.

Site visit records were reviewed. For the May 4 crossover event with the Boy Scouts at Scout Island, members recalled that some task force members were present, though specific names and times were still to be confirmed. The June 15 visit included Jeff, Keith, Chris, Mark, Paul, Alyssa Brown, and Sven. On June 22, Malcolm, Liz, Vicki, Chris, Keith, and Delia attended. A planned site visit on October 5 was canceled.

Several members agreed to write or follow up on missing meeting minutes. Malcolm confirmed that the July 23 dam removal meeting minutes had been submitted to the correct recipient after a prior misdelivery. Mark stated that the July 31 meeting minutes were already posted. The group confirmed that no action was needed for August 13, as it was part of a full Task Force meeting.

Mark volunteered to write up brief notes for the August 28 meeting. For the September 12 meeting, Bill agreed to draft the minutes. Chris had written up the October 24 dredging meeting minutes and planned to send them to the town clerk. It was also noted that the minutes for December 3,

December 11, and January 14 had been approved during the March 7 meeting and have now been submitted to the Town Clerk.

The March 7 No Action minutes still require approval, which the group agreed to address at a follow-up meeting scheduled for Friday, June 27 at noon. Mark would send an agenda and Delia will set up the zoom link.

Rachel Freed (CBI) had sent Chris the minutes for the January 22, January 25, and February 6 small group meetings. However, minutes for January 29 and February 20 were still outstanding. It was clarified that although Rachel had taken notes, it was not clear whether the group or the consultant was officially responsible for drafting those minutes.

Delia confirmed that Zoom recordings are only retained for 90 days, with deleted recordings recoverable from the trash for another 30 days.

As for the October 22 meeting, Mark agreed to attempt to draft minutes based on the agenda, as no recording or notes were available. Bill and David were asked to check their notes in case anything could assist in reconstructing those discussions.

Discussion concluded with a review of minutes related to the dam removal subcommittee. It was confirmed that meetings originally scheduled for October 21 and December 11 were postponed to October 22 and December 16, respectively, and that minutes for those rescheduled meetings had been posted. The group also identified a March 21 meeting focused on preparing materials for a public forum. Liz Morrison Howe and Malcolm Bryant recalled attending, and Malcolm agreed to draft minutes.

Subcommittees will be responsible for submitting minutes to the Town Clerk's office. The group agreed that a July 7 deadline to have all minutes posted was acceptable.

The presentation of the Task Force's recommendation to the Natural Resources Commission was briefly discussed. The presentation is scheduled for July 16, 2025.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Delia Kaye