

BELGRADE AREA DAMS COMMITTEE
November 13th, 2023 @ 4:00 PM, Belgrade Town Office

In attendance: Dick Greenan (Chair), Craig Alexander, Tom Bennett, Blaine Horrocks, Ted Fontaine, Garrett Luszczy (Secretary), Guests: Hans Rasmussen (Code Enf.), Gordon Woods (East Pond)

- **Meeting Commencement:**
 - Meeting called to order by Dick at 4:00pm.
- **Previous Meeting Minutes:**
 - Tom made a motion to accept the October minutes, Ted second. All in favor.
- **Current Dams Levels:**
 - Craig estimated Great Pond was 16-18" below full (under construction, no data)
 - Tom stated Long Pond was 236.10' (approx. 15" below full, winter storage)
 - Dick stated Salmon Lake was 277.0' (approx. 12" below full, winter storage)
 - Dick stated Snow Pond was 235.24' (approx. 2" below full)
- **Lake Levels Strategy Discussion:**
 - Fall/Winter Targets Achieved – Goal to maintain.
- **New Maintenance:**
 - None
- **Old Business:**
 - Village Dam Concrete Remediation Update:
 - Welding plates on each gate to restore from unexpected extensive damage on the gates. This was needed to ensure good gasket/seal mounting to limit leakage around gate.
 - Estimated \$40k additional for sheet steel and welding for extensive gate repair. The dams committee will build this into next year's budget cycle. The Contractor may be willing to hold billing until January.
 - The north abutment is complete and overall project completion is anticipated within the next week. Dick to reach out to state dams inspector Tony Fletcher to see if he is available for an inspection prior to demobilization.
 - Photos will be taken and filed for good documentation of overall project and view/condition prior to removal of the cofferdam.
 - Wing's Mill gate 1 repair:
 - Dick will coordinate with Tom and Steve Liberty this next month.
 - Schedule Dams walk-throughs with new members – Lorna, new Oakland alt. and Mike:
 - Tabled.

- **New Business:**

- 2024 Budget Request Update
 - Garrett and Craig requested the \$40k required for the dams additional repair work be added as an individual line item in the 2023/2024 budget rather than paying for this out of the maintenance and reserve funds. All in favor to accept as amended.
- Oakland will be putting forward a new alternative.
- 2023 Salmon Dam 9/25/23 Inspection Report:
 - Cory from the town of Belgrade is nearly complete on clearing on north side of dam. Some minor sinkholes found that will be reviewed with the dam inspectors and repaired accordingly.
- 2023 Village Dam 8/1/2023 Inspection Report:
 - After recent clearing activities it was clear that the riprap that exists looks good still.
 - Some riprap likely still needed next spring/summer.
 - Continue to monitor emergency spillway condition for any increased deterioration.

- **Next Meeting:**

- Scheduled for Monday, December 11th, 4pm at the Belgrade Town Office.

- **Meeting Adjournment & Post-Meeting Discussion**

- Tom made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Ted. All in favor. Adjourned 4:25pm.
- East Pond Update:
 - Approx. 5" below full pond, dam open.
 - Large log downstream of dam with beaver debris that will be cleared with volunteers.