

## Adirondack Lake Weed Advisory Board May 2023 Minutes

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In attendance:

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GRASS CARP – On April 28, Ernie Pollman observed a number of carp as well as a number of fish of another fish species with the carp. These fish were observed to be approximately 18 inches and others 30 to 40 inches. The other fish species was approximately 17 inches. Photos were taken of the fish. The other species was thought to be white suckers. Because of the size of the species, it was decided to contact DEC to see if the species are white suckers or was there some possibility of carp reproducing.

May 11 follow-up – Chris Powers, DEC Aquatic Biologist, confirmed species is a white sucker. Very unlikely any cross breeding with carp. White suckers are in spawning stage.

WAB HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS – Ernie Pollman advised that WAB historical paper records are in two boxes maintained at Town Hall. The documents cannot be removed from Town Hall but can be viewed at Town Hall. Ernie Pollman and John Layton will be reviewing the documents and will specifically see if there are records confirming that the carp placed in Adirondack Lake were sterile. Because it is understood that carp generally have a life expectancy of 10 to 12 years and the last carp were placed in 2012, the carp population should be naturally diminishing.

HAMILTON COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (HCSWCD) - Jim Holler contacted the HCSWCD to continue WAB's relationship as HCSWCD has done annual plant surveys of Adirondack Lake. HCSWCD expressed an interest in attending a WAB meeting. Jim will extend an invitation to the HCSWCD District Manager Caitlin Stewart and any other staff member to attend WAB's June meeting. The last plant survey appears to be 2021.

BOGS – Ernie will be preparing a map of existing bogs to provide to the Town Parks Department for relocating to Bog Bay.

ADIRONDACK LAKE DAM – John Layton will be contacting Town Hall for an update on dam repair.

May 15 follow-up – per Town Hall there are no changes or updates to report.

Next Meeting – June 14,2023 at Byron Park. Submitted by Vin Reilly.

Below Pics show the white sucker and their spawn activity near the dam.

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