

**Coventry Inland Wetland Agency (IWA)**  
**Low Impact Development (LID) Work Group**

Meeting Notes, January 13, 2025, 10 am to Noon  
Coventry Town Hall, Conference Room B

1. Called meeting to Order at 10:05 am
2. Meeting Notes – accepted 12/9 Meeting Notes
3. New Business -
  - a. LM discussed the meeting with Lisa Thomas to review current LID WG status, address questions concerning LID’s documentation and findings, and discuss Town’s options to maximize impactful LID implementation for enhanced lake water quality protection measures and explored possible next steps. LT interested in exploring the next steps. Need to review next steps toward a formally recognized group to continue our work and be inclusive of all who have an interest and responsibility in lake water quality protection. We discussed the possible creation of a formally appointed group to develop and work on next steps, possibly a Task Force. LT assigned LM to reach out to Alex Taylor to meet and explore opportunities.
  - b. Alex Taylor joined our meeting to follow-up on the discussion with LT. Reviewed LID WG’s draft documentation and emerging recommendations to enhance watershed protection. Discussed the plans, programs and regulations of other lake communities in CT, Maine and New Hampshire including Columbia’s 1990’s Task Force, lake management plan, and nutrient allocation model, Lake Waramaug’s Lake Task Force and Conservancy program, and Lake Smart programs in Maine and New Hampshire. Discussed BK’s draft why and how lake management documents and LM/RP draft policy and resolution documents. Discussed how best to move forward given the documentation the LID WG has gathered and developed. Optimally these documents and draft concepts would be captured in an updated lake management plan. Discussed with AT possible development of an appointed Task Force like group to be formally responsible to develop these concepts into a formal lake management plan.
  - c. Agreed to hold another meeting with LM, Alex, Jana, Jim Drumm and Lindsay to discuss next steps
  - d. LID WG is scheduled to present to Town Council on April 20<sup>th</sup> concerning LID WG status, documentation and recommended next steps.
4. Old Business –
  - a. AB discussed status of Spring/Summer ’26 LID Sustainable Landscape Workshop – May 16, 2026 at the Lodge, AB finalized flier with QR Code, AB to send flier to Jana to send to Lara Stone for publishing in Town Spring Newsletter, District staff to present, LM and DP to present, discussed potential nursery and landscape business sponsors/vendors, AB to draft agenda and share with LID WG, discussed invites to Coventry and other nearby lake communities
  - b. LM to reach out to Mike and Dave at UConn concerning status of Intern Work Plan Concepts
  - c. No potential membership replacement from the Conservation Commission has been provided
  - d. Future Meetings – Booked dates Town Hall Conf Rm B - Annex – 3/10, 4/7, 5/5, 6/9, 7/14, 8/18, 9/15
5. Adjourned at 12:30 pm