

FRIENDS OF MORSES POND
BYLAWS

I. Name and Purpose

1. Name: The name of this Association shall be Friends of Morses Pond (FOMP).
2. Purpose: FOMP will promote the health and welfare of the Pond and its environs, to include aesthetics, natural protection, maintenance, use and enjoyment. FOMP will encourage the celebration of special occasions and the friendship and cooperation of its members including but not limited to an annual clean up day and cookout.

II. Membership

1. Qualifications: Membership shall be open to all persons interested in the welfare and appreciation of Morses Pond who pays dues as established to the association.
2. Dues: Annual dues will be recommended by the Executive Committee and established by a majority vote at each Annual Meeting. They will be payable by household.
3. Voting Rights: Any resident eighteen years of age or older in a household for which dues have been paid, will have the right to vote during FOMP meetings.

III. Governance

The Executive Committee shall govern FOMP.

IV. Officers

1. Officers: The officers shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer.
2. Duties: The officers will promote the stated purpose of FOMP, and their duties shall be such as implied by their titles. The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings. The Vice Chairperson shall preside in the absence of the Chairperson. The Secretary shall maintain the list of members and others who wish to receive FOMP notices; provide announcements of meetings; keep the minutes of meetings; and maintain FOMP records, correspondence and reports. The Treasurer shall collect and disburse funds as directed by the Chairperson and Executive Committee, and keep accurate records thereof.

V. Executive Committee

1. Membership: The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and three other persons, to be called At-large Members, who will be elected by the Officers within one week after the Annual Meeting.
2. Duties: The Executive Committee will advise the Chairperson and other officers; appoint working committees to carry out related tasks; set the Annual Meeting and call other meetings as needed; and carry out other duties necessary to achieve the stated purposes of FOMP.

VI. Terms of Office

1. Terms: The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall serve for one year and may be elected to serve for up to two more one-year terms, for a total of three years. They may be re-elected into their previous office after a lapse of one year. The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for one year and may be elected to serve for more than one term, with no maximum term limit.

2. Vacancies: A vacancy in the position of any officer shall be filled at a Special Meeting called by the Executive Committee using the same election rules followed during an Annual Meeting. The newly elected officer will serve the unexpired term of the officer being replaced. A vacancy of an At-large Member of the Executive Committee will be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.
3. Removals: An officer may be removed from office upon the recommendation of a majority of the Executive Committee and a two-thirds vote at a Special Meeting called by the Executive Committee. An At-large Member may be removed by a majority vote of the Executive Committee and a two-thirds vote at a Special Meeting.

VII. Meetings

1. Annual Meetings: Each year a meeting shall be held to elect officers and to conduct any other business to come before the meeting. Prior to each Annual Meeting, the Executive Committee will appoint a Nominating Committee to furnish a slate of Officers to run for the annual election. Other nominees may be submitted at the Meeting.
2. Regular Meetings: The Executive Committee may call additional general meetings to conduct business, informational sessions, and/or gather opinions and ideas related to Pond issues.
3. Special Meetings: Five or more members may call special meetings, after communicating their intent to the Executive Committee.
4. Notification: At least one week in advance of any FOMP meeting, members will receive notification of the time and place, and an announcement of the meeting will be submitted in time to appear in the Wellesley Townsman.

VIII. Action by Vote

1. Quorum: Ten or more Members will constitute a quorum for all meetings of FOMP.
2. General: All business requiring a vote will be decided by a simple majority of Members present, assuming a quorum is present.
3. Exceptions: Amendments or changes to the Bylaws, and/or a vote to remove an officer or At-large Member will require a two-thirds majority of Members present.