

Dated: February 12, 2021

To: Durham Town Council

Cc: Todd Selig, April Talon, Durham Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission,
Durham Conservation Commission, Jennie Berry

MILL POND DAM ON OYSTER RIVER FEASIBILITY STUDY

Recognizing that during the January 11, 2021 public hearing it was determined that additional information was desired before making a decision about the future of the dam, and that a process was established for the Town Council to receive answers from VHB or other experts, it is the opinion of the Durham Historic Association (DHA) that:

1. Should the Town Council receive any new information regarding the Mill Pond Dam Feasibility Study from VHB or other source, then that information shall be made available to the public as soon as practicable.
2. The public shall have a reasonable amount of time to study and assimilate this new information.
3. The Town Council shall then schedule and conduct a reopened public hearing to receive comments from Durham residents prior to continuing any deliberations.
4. Should the Town Council then opt for dam removal, that the people of Durham have the opportunity to vote on a warrant article to decide the future of the Mill Pond dam and pond.

Respectfully yours,

The DHA Executive Board:

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