

# Lawn Care WWAC SubCommittee Meeting Minutes

## February 3, 2010

### Members Present:

Vint Choinere  
Randy Eifert  
Mike Faller  
Dan Harris  
Paul Ristaino  
Bob Vogler  
Tim Whiting  
Alison Whynot

### Staff Present:

Angela LaBrecque

### Visitors:

Nancy Wright

### **Agenda:**

1. Approve Minutes from the 1/6/10 meeting.
2. Fact Sheet Drafts – Review and improve – Alison to have handouts.
3. Map of Watershed w/5 mile radius – Michelle T?
4. Getting the word out.
5. Types of pledges – No Phosphorous, No Pesticides, No Chemicals, IPM Pledge.
6. Routing of *Gimme Green* and *A Chemical Reaction* DVDs. Should we have our own screening at a Community Center workshop, press conference type roll-out in April?
7. Presentations to Selectboard/Civic Organizations in April?
8. Reminder – Paul Tukey NH visit, screening of his movie at PSU (2/10) and Red River Theater (2/11).

Randy Eifert called the meeting held at the Meredith Town Hall Annex to order @ 8:06 am.

The **1/6/10 Lawn Care Subcommittee Meeting Minutes** were approved as had been drafted.

### **Fact Sheets:**

- Alison Whynot handed out 4 Fact Sheet drafts – 2 on No Phosphorous, 2 on No Pesticides.
- It was agreed that photos of Meredith recognizable places shouldn't be used. Use of photos of Meredith parks might give the false impression that Meredith applies pesticides and/or phosphorous fertilizers.
- The plan is to do a 5<sup>th</sup> Fact Sheet re: No pesticides within 250' of the water's edge within a 5 mile radius of the Meredith water intake in the Waukewan Watershed.
- Dan Harris pointed out that business applicators must be licensed in NH to apply pesticides, but homeowners do not require a pesticide license.
- **Action Item: All members – Review the 4 Fact Sheets and send any comments to Alison within the next two weeks.**
- **Action Item: Alison Whynot – Update the Fact Sheets and e-mail the updates to all members before the next meeting on 3/3/10.**
- **Action Item: Randy Eifert – Draft a 5<sup>th</sup> Fact Sheet re: the 250' setback for No Pesticides.**
- **Action Item: Randy Eifert – Draft letter to be sent to regional businesses encouraging them to carry fertilizers with No Phosphorous.**

### **Map of Watershed w/5 mile radius:**

- Angela found that the NH Division of Pesticide Control had already created a bitmap image of the Waukewan Watershed showing the 250' setback from the lakes, ponds and tributaries.

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**Routing of *Gimme Green* and *A Chemical Reaction* DVDs:**

- Everyone on the sub-committee has seen the 20 minute *Gimme Green* DVD.
- The 90 minute *A Chemical Reaction* DVD has not been seen by most.
- **Action Item: Dan Harris – Forward the *A Chemical Reaction* DVD to Angela for her viewing. Angela to notify Bob Vogler when ready for him to pick it up. Bob Vogler to forward it to Tim Whiting.**

**Presentations to Selectboard/Civic Organizations in April:**

- **Action Item: Angela Labrecque – Arrange to get a slot on the Meredith Selectmen’s agenda for the Lawn Care sub-committee to present our proposals.**

**Paul Tukey’s messages:**

- Randy urged all members to get on [www.SafeLawns.org](http://www.SafeLawns.org) newsletter list.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:11 am.

**Next Meeting:           Wednesday 3/3/10 at 8:00 am in the Town Hall Annex.**

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved, as had been drafted, at the 3/3/10 Lawn Care Subcommittee meeting.