Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes June 6, 2012

Members Present: Staff Present: Visitors:

Bill Corr Angela Labrecque Duncan McNeish

Randy Eifert John Edgar Rob Harold, Meredith property owner
Carla Horne Bill Edney Catherine Harold, Meredith property owner

Bob Vogler Tim Whiting

Agenda:

- Approve minutes for prior meeting
- Foundry Avenue ZBA variance update
- Request for No Hazardous Material Transport Through traffic on Winona/Waukewan Rds
- High Risk Septic System Status Update
- Membership Committee Report
- 2012 Goals and Leadership volunteers
- New Business
 - NH Lakes Congress June 22nd
 - Pond Hockey Tourney Vendors on the ice?
 - Meredith Planning Board Workshop July 10 Survey

Having a quorum at 8:02 am, Chairman Randy Eifert opened the meeting.

The 5/2//2012 WWAC meeting minutes were approved as had been draft updated.

ZBA/Foundry Ave Update:

• The Meredith Selectmen on 6/4/2012 voted to pursue another appeal through the courts to overturn the ZBA variance approval.

Hazardous Material Transport:

• Nancy Mayville, Municipal Highway Engineer, has requested more info from Phil Warren.

High Risk Septic System:

• The letter to the 31 Meredith High Risk property owners was mailed on 5/2/2012. We received responses from 7 of the properties.

Action Item: Angela Labrecque – Create a spreadsheet for the 31 properties with the updated info from the property owner's responses.

- Randy reported on the surveys received as requested by the letter and e-mail sent to the property owners. Four responses were received from the 31 Meredith high risk properties. Twenty responses were received from the 100 e-mails sent to the property owners not including the Meredith high risk property owners.
- One of the responses suggested a financial hardship if they had to install a new septic system. This led Randy to suggest the town consider creating a larger hardship fund perhaps \$100K to assist any hardship cases.
- Randy suggested once again that perhaps the town should fund the septic system evaluations of the high risk properties.
- Angela reported that Granite State Rural Water offered to present a septic system workshop at no fee this summer. Angela suggested it be presented on an evening between July 16 to 19.

Action Item: Angela – Get an outline from them on what they would present.

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- John Edgar suggested that a list of septic system options be established to better inform property owners who need to upgrade their septic system of choices they may have.
- Lakes Congress on 6/22/12 Randy, Carla & Tim plan to attend. This might be a good source for septic system options. The attendees have been requested to submit a summary of what they learned by attending the Lake Congress workshops.

Pond Hockey Tourney last Feb 2012:

- Deb Corr had sent a 5/28/12 e-mail to Randy re: the food vendors that had set up booths on the ice. Since Scott Crowder committed that vendors associated with the event will not be on the ice, she wanted to know why this happened.
- Bill Edney explained that all the vendors associated with the event were on Middleton property. The vendors on the ice were not part of the qualified vendors.
- The State of NH is responsible for managing what happens on all the NH lakes. The town of Meredith does have say on what happens on private property and town property.
- Bill Edney reported that the town had worked closely and successfully with the Pond Hockey group. Overall it was felt that the tourney was well run and produced no environmental issues for Lake Waukewan.

Meredith Planning Board Workshop – July 10 - Survey:

- Meredith has initiated a project to establish a Community Plan with a 20 year horizon. To accomplish this among other actions they have asked the Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee to respond to a 4 question survey and to send one or two representatives to a July 10, 2012 workshop.
- Randy has asked all members to submit their suggestions to the questionnaire. To hopefully facilitate this request, Bob Vogler has submitted a "Strawman response" for the questionnaire with the intent to get all WWAC members ideas for the response to the Planning Board.
 Action Item: All WWAC members Send your thoughts/comments on the questionnaire to either Randy or Bob Vogler who will compile your responses for review at our next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 7/3/2012 at 8:00 AM in the Town Hall Annex.

Notice: Since the first Wednesday in July is July 4th and we want to review the Planning Board Questionaire before their meeting on July 10th, the next meeting is on Tuesday 7/3/12.

These minutes were approved, as had been drafted, at the 7/2/12 WWAC meeting.