Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes October 5, 2011

Members Present: Staff Present: Visitors:

Bill Corr John Edgar

Randy Eifert Angela LaBrecque

Nate Torr Bob Vogler Stan Wallerstein

Agenda:

- Approve minutes of 9/7/11 WWAC meeting
- Status of Town appeal to the Superior Court of the Foundry Avenue variance
- Status of Water Quality Testing at suspected septic system failure sites
- Letter to NHDOT re: Winona/Waukewan weight and Hazmat cargo limit
- High Risk Septic System Health Regulation
- Membership Committee Report
- Budget Request
- Zoning Updates in Watershed Zone?
- Update WWAC Action Item List
- New Business

Having a quorum, Chairman Randy Eifert opened the meeting at 8:05 am.

The 9/7/11 WWAC meeting minutes were approved as had been drafted.

Foundry Avenue Lot 46, Map 23 ZBA appeal status:

• Superior Court hearing is scheduled for 11/4/11 in Laconia.

Water Quality Testing on Lake Waukewan:

• Testing was inconclusive. E-Coli levels were elevated at the 8 test sites, but the control site had elevated levels too. However all values were below the E-Coli critical levels.

Hazardous Material Transporting on Winona/Waukewan Roads:

- Nate believes that Phil Warren sent the letter to the District 3 DOT.
- Action Item: Nate Torr Obtain a copy of the Phil Warren letter.

Septic System Regulation:

- Nate reported that his intent is to get this on the Selectmen's Workshop agenda in December 2011.
- Randy reported there currently is \$14K in the Meredith Septic System reserve fund for economic hardship.

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- Bill Corr reported that he was aware that Janan Hayes had reported a potential algae bloom last week to the NHDES. Randy will check with Dan Leonard if he is aware of this. Note: Subsequent to this meeting Randy checked with Dan on the algae bloom and there was a small bloom on September 23rd that was identified in the cove near the boat launch. Samples were collected for the DES and the UNH microbiology lab. Notifications were made to the Town Manager, the DES, and the home owners in the area. The percentage of cyanobacteria cells were < 50% and the cell concentration was less than 70,000 cells/mL so DES did not post any warnings on their website.</p>
- Action Item: Bob Vogler Contact David Ames to get his opinion on the cost of doing a Septic System Certification Test. Also ask him what he might charge doing 30 certification tests on 30 properties on Lake Waukewan.

Zoning Update in Watershed Overlay:

- Currently the only restriction is based on density. Randy wondered if additional restriction criteria should be considered and pursued. John Edgar pointed out that adding more restriction often causes specific groups to get involved opposing them and that this needs to be carefully considered.
- Buffer requirements for intermittent streams might be a good consideration to be added as a restriction.
- Action Item: John, Angela, and Randy to look into possible "add-ons" to the overlay in conjunction with Planning Board.

Action Item List Review:

- The "Status" text for Action List items 50 (2.4.B) through 70 (end of list) was be reviewed at this meeting completing the Action List review.
- Action Item: Bob Vogler Update the Action List with the above agreed changes, e-mail to all members and submit to Eric Ferland to replace the current Action List on the Meredith website.

Action Item: All WWAC members – Submit your top 5 items from the Management Plan that you think we should work on next to Randy by 10/12/11. These will be discussed at the 11/2/11 meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:13 am.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 11/2/2011 at 8:00 AM in the Town Hall Annex.

These minutes were approved as had been updated at the 12/7/2011 WWAC meeting.