

Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes January 10, 2008

Members Present:

Bruce Bond
Randy Eifert
John Hodsdon
Michelle Therrien
Bob Vogler
Tim Whiting

Staff Present:

Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner

Visitors:

Proposed Agenda:

- Approval of previous meeting minutes (11/29/07)
- Discussion 2008 WWAC budget
- Review draft letters to town re: aerial photo work and low salt proposals
- Update on health ordinance linking building permits to septic inspection and potential replacement
- Discuss adopting new town sponsored BMPs for storm water runoff on developing and existing properties
- Status of New Hampton Waukegan watershed overlay district proposal
- Other business

Having a quorum, Chairman Bruce Bond called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm at the Community Center.

The **WWAC Meeting Minutes from 11/29/07** were approved as had been updated.

Meredith 2008 budget:

- Bob Flanders had informed Bruce Bond that he believes \$25K is in the 2008 budget for the WWAC. However there are at least 3 more gates to go for the budget to be final – 1) Selectmen’s budget workshop, 2) Budget public hearing and 3) Town Meeting.

Low road salt proposals:

- Meredith has adopted the practice of using low salt on Water Street and Waukegan Street per our WWAC request.
- The WWAC approved Bruce’s draft of the letter to Carol Granfield requesting that the Town of Meredith submit a request to the NHDOT to designate both Waukegan Road and Winona Road within the Waukegan Watershed as “Low salt” areas principally due to their close proximity to Lake Waukegan.

Aerial photography proposal for water front areas:

- Randy Eifert reported that he discussed with Bill Hemmel of Lakes Region Aerial Photography whether he could include in the \$3700 proposal price the shorelines of the Snake River. Bill pointed out that the Snake River would require about 3 additional miles of photography work over the 8 miles required for Lake Waukegan expanding the scope of his proposal substantially. Bill agreed to provide a new proposal for the Snake River project.
- Randy also reported that Bill Hemmel said the owner of the delivered materials would be the Town of Meredith.
- Bill Hemmel said that he agreed to provide the GPS data in a format compatible with Meredith’s SHAPEFILE format.

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- It was agreed to continue to pursue approval of the \$3700 project to photograph the complete shorelines of Lake Waukegan with the hopes of capturing this next Spring when the land is clear of snow and the trees don't have leaves.

Status of the Septic System Health Ordinance project:

- Work on this plan continues. Bruce Bond and Bob Flanders are on the project team.
- Current thoughts are that any building permit would require a septic system evaluation by a certified septic system inspector. If the evaluation shows a system failure, the septic system would have to be replaced.

Status of the Data Gathering for the Meredith properties within 250 feet of Lake Waukegan:

- Bruce reported that he and Roger Hogan expect to complete the analysis the week of January 14th. The data will be recorded in Microsoft Access database.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Stormwater runoff:

- Bruce reported that he is attending workshops on this topic in Concord run by the NHDES.
- Angela reported that Meredith is looking to create BMPs to manage runoff as a town ordinance.

Status of the New Hampton Waukegan Watershed Overlay district:

- Last month, Bruce met with New Hampton management to establish a 2 acre minimum zone for all new New Hampton developments in the Waukegan Watershed. It is targeted to be on their Town Warrant list for their 2008 town meeting.

Other Business:

- Randy Eifert requested status on the Sewer Feasibility Study that was contracted for in 2005 via Bob Hill.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond** – request status from Bob Hill or Carol Granfield.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Next Meeting: January 24, 2008 @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the Meredith Community Center.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved as drafted at the 1/24/2008 WWAC Meeting.