

# Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

## January 22, 2009

### Members Present:

Bill Corr  
Randy Eifert  
John Hodsdon  
Bonnie Ireland  
Bobby Smyth  
Michelle Therrien  
Bob Vogler  
Tim Whiting

### Staff Present:

Angela Labrecque

### Visitors:

### **Agenda:**

- Welcome and introduce committee to Stacy Luke
- Approval of minutes for the 1/8/09 WWAC meeting
- Review updated plan action item's spreadsheet
- Review/discuss recent WWAC communications.
- Other business

Having a quorum, Vice Chairman Bonnie Ireland called the meeting to order at 8:10 am at the Town Hall Annex.

The **WWAC Meeting Minutes from 1/8/09** were approved as had been drafted.

### **WWAC Action Item Spreadsheet review:**

- Bob Vogler had updated the spreadsheet per last meeting's discussion and e-mailed a .pdf version to all members.
- At this meeting we discussed if this spreadsheet should be added to the Meredith website. All members agreed that would be a good idea. Bob Vogler suggested that we all once again scrutinize the data in the spreadsheet before it became a public document. It was also agreed to delete the two columns titled – *Cost & Town Interest*.
- **Action Item: All members – mark up any changes you propose and bring the changes to the next meeting or e-mail your changes to Bob Vogler.**

### **No Pass Through Hazmat Trucks on Winona/Waukegan Roads:**

- Bruce Bond had sent a letter dated 1/8/09 to Acting Town managers, John Edgar and Brenda Vitner requesting once again for the town of Meredith to call a meeting with New Hampton, Center Harbor and NHDOT to ban pass through trucks carrying Hazard Materials from using these roads.
- Bob Vogler reported that he had attended a *Hazard Mitigation Planning Meeting* on 1/21/09 and that among many other topics, the topics of MV accident involving Hazardous Materials, Water Contamination and Oil Spills are included. The Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee has a target to complete their project by March 2009. The Meredith Water Department also has the task to update their emergency plan by March 2009.
- There is also an *Emergency Operational Task Force Committee* currently having regular meetings. Their task is to develop the action plans for any of the hazards identified by the *Hazard Mitigation Committee* and the *Water Department Emergency Plan*. It is anticipated this plan will be completed later in 2009.

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### **Spear (Snake River) property discussion:**

- Bill Corr, a Waukewan Shore Owners Association director, reported that the WSOA will be sending out letters for fund raising after their next meeting on 2/7/09. They will also be asking the Lake Winona Shore Owners for their help on this project.

### **Lake Waukewan official water level:**

- The water level discussion came up once again with the question - has the state specified the official water level at 540' above sea level as previously discussed. Although the following wasn't available at the meeting, the following is from the 9/11/08 WWAC Meeting Minutes:

#### **NHDES Dam Bureau:**

- The town of Meredith is working towards a set of procedures to manage the water level of Lake Waukewan. A meeting was held with the NHDES Dam Bureau, Town of Meredith (Angela Labrecque and Bob Hill), Rusty McLearn and Bruce Bond representing the WWAC.
- The Dam Bureau says the official water level of Lake Waukewan is 539' above sea level. However, the town of Meredith presented 5 different documents of which 3 said the official level is 540' and 2 said 539'. In general, the lake has been kept at 540'.
- The NHDES Dam Bureau will consider changing the official level to 540'.
- It is a general agreement that 540' is a good summer level for Lake Waukewan.
- The recent flood conditions raised the Lake Waukewan level to about 541'-8" as measured at the Meredith Boat ramp.
- The WWAC again agreed that a nominal summer water level should be 540' and a winter water level should be 539' which would allow for the rising water from the Spring run-off.

### **Sewer Feasibility:**

- Angela reported that KV Partners has been giving the go-ahead to complete this project per WWAC motion outlined in the WWAC 10/23/08 Meeting Minutes.

### **Septic System Health Ordinance:**

- No status update was available. In Bruce Bond's absence, it was not known if he had acted on his action item from the 1/8/09 meeting to request that John Edgar give the WWAC an update on the status of the Septic System Health Ordinance project.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.

**Next Meeting: Thursday February 12, 2009 @ 8:00 am – 10:00 am at the Town Hall Annex.**

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved at the 2/26/09 WWAC meeting.