

Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes January 25, 2007

Members Present: Staff Present:

Bruce Bond
Randy Eifert
Bonnie Ireland
Bob Vogler
Bob Wenstrup
Tim Whiting

The meeting at the Town Hall Annex was called to order at 6:40 pm by Chairman, Bruce Bond.

Proposed Agenda:

- Approval of previous meeting minutes
- Status revised meeting date/time/location
- Discussion hazmat/petroleum through trucking situation
- Review final draft home heating oil tank article
- Discussion Shoreland Protection re-write and meeting
- Status Holderness and New Hampton watershed overlay districts
- Other business

The 1/11/07 WWAC Meeting Minutes were approved as drafted.

Future WWAC Meetings:

- It was determined that the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month would be in conflict for Peter Miller with other town meetings.
- Mondays and Wednesday would be a problem for Bob Wenstrup.
- It was decided to stay with the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month, but move the time earlier to 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- The next 3 meetings will continue to be held at the Town Hall Annex building.
- Starting on March 22, 2007, the meetings will be held at the Community Center.
- Action Item – **Bruce** will inform Chris Tivnan of the time change to 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Haz-Mat Trucking on Waukewan Street and Waukewan Road:

- Bruce Bond reported on his meeting with Meredith Town Management on 1/24/07. Carol Granfield, Mike Faller, John Edgar and Bob Hill from Town Management attended; Bob Vogler from WWAC attended.
- Bruce explained that especially during the summer months, trucks use these roads to avoid the substantial traffic delays on Route 3 and Route 25 through Meredith.
- Mike Faller reported that currently Waukewan Street has a 12,000 pound truck limit and signs are posted for this.
- Town Management was in agreement to find a way to stop **through trucking of Haz-Mat materials** on these two roads.
- It was discussed that the 12,000 pound limit may not be restrictive enough since theoretically a truck with 11,999 pounds of Haz-Mat material would be legal but still represents a substantial threat to the watershed.
- So it was agreed the focus of the limitation should be on **through trucking of Haz-Mat material**.

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- Action Items from the meeting:
 - **Bob Hill** will ask his water department contacts if they are aware of any similar precedents for Haz-Mat trucking.
 - **Mike Faller** will ask his contacts at DOT for the same.
 - **John Edgar** will contact Paul Susca.
 - **Bruce Bond** will contact Jacquie Colburn.
- It was agreed to meet again in the short term to discuss the findings from the above contacts. No date was set.

Heating Fuel Storage document:

- Bruce Bond had sent a copy of the article to the Meredith Fire Chief for his comments.
- A few minor changes were agreed to at the meeting.
- The members unanimously approved it as amended to be sent out for publication. It will be sent to Bobby Smyth for the Waukewan Shoreowners Newsletter as well as to the Meredith News and Laconia newspapers.
- It was suggested that a Copyright symbol © be added to the document.

Shoreland Protection Act Modifications Meeting:

- There will be a public meeting on January 29, 2007 at 6:00 pm at the Gilford Town Hall.
- This reportedly will be a panel discussion on the proposed recommendations which can be obtained at <http://www.lakesrpc.org/>.
- Interested WWAC members are encouraged to attend.

New Hampton Watershed Overlay Status:

- The New Hampton Town Manager has reported that because they are doing a town wide rezoning in 2007, they don't want to put the Watershed Overlay on the 2007 town warrants.
- They said they will put it on the 2008 town warrant.

Waukewan Watershed Web Site Status:

- As reported at the 12/14/06 WWAC meeting, the Waukewan Watershed Website continues to be worked on by Eric Ferland, Meredith IT and June Hammond Rowan, PSU Outreach & Development Coordinator.
- Potentially at the 2/22/07 WWAC meeting, an update on the status of this project will be presented. However this may be rescheduled.
- The WWAC task is to provide articles, maps and any other relevant documents to be posted on this website.
- The beginnings of this website can be viewed at <http://meredithnh.org/waterbasics.php>.

2007 Lake Host Program:

- Tim Whiting reported that Jim Hughes has agreed to be a paid Lake Host on weekends for 2007.
- It would be desirable to get at least one more mature adult to supplement Jim on the weekends. The use of teenagers, because of their lack of commitment, last year was very disappointing.
- An unpaid volunteer Lake Host group will also be sought to cover the weekdays of the summer.

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Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 pm.

**Next Meeting: February 8, 2007 at 6:00pm - 8:00pm at the Meredith
Town Hall Annex.**

Schedule of future meetings:

Scheduled Waukewan Watershed Management Plan presentations:

- Joint meeting with the **Town Planning Boards of Ashland, Center Harbor, Holderness, Meredith & New Hampton** – To be scheduled; John Edgar action to set up.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved at the 2/8/07 WWAC meeting.