

Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2009

Members Present:

Bruce Bond
Bill Corr
John Hodsdon
Michelle Therrien
Bob Vogler
Tim Whiting

Staff Present:

Angela Labrecque

Visitors:

Bob Morency

Agenda:

- Approval minutes of the January 22, 2009 WWAC meeting
- Management Plan action items spreadsheet updates
- Discussion of Meredith Hazardous Mitigation Plan:
Action Step – isolate surface water of Monkey Pond from Lake Waukewan
- Status prohibition of thru trucking (hazmat) on Winona and Waukewan Roads
- Status NHLA demonstration project
- Update on Septic System Health Ordinance
- Other business

Having a quorum, Chairman Bruce Bond called the meeting to order at 8:03 am at the Town Hall Annex.

The **WWAC Meeting Minutes from 1/22/09** were approved as had been drafted.

WWAC Action Item Spreadsheet review:

- At the 1/22/09 WWAC meeting all WWAC members were asked to mark-up their changes/corrections/comments to the spreadsheet and bring them to the next meeting. This still needs to be done.
- **Action Item: Bob Vogler – E-mail the latest version of the spreadsheet. All new changes since the last version of the spreadsheet will be in Blue Text, previous text will be in black.**
- **Action Item: All members – print out and mark up the above spreadsheet version with any changes you propose and bring the changes to the next meeting or e-mail your changes to Bob Vogler.**
- **Action Item: Bob Vogler will consolidate the mark-ups and e-mail the revised spreadsheet to all members.**

Hazardous Mitigation Plan – Isolate Monkey Pond Surface Water Proposal:

- Bruce Bond presented a suggestion to install an Oil Containment Boom in Monkey Pond that would prevent most petroleum contaminants from entering Lake Waukewan. By in large, Monkey Pond is were all run off from sections of Rte 104, Waukewan Street and industrial properties on Waukewan Street ends up. The risk of a spill is much higher in this area. The cost of installing an Oil Containment Boom in Monkey Pond is quite modest and the benefit quite high to the Meredith drinking water supply.
- A motion to send a letter to the Meredith Mitigation Committee suggesting that an Oil Containment Boom be installed in Monkey Pond was unanimously approved by the WWAC members.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond – Write and send this letter immediately since the Mitigation Committee is scheduled to complete their plan by March 6, 2009.**

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No Pass Through Hazmat Trucks on Winona/Waukewan Roads:

- Bruce Bond and Angela Labrecque met with Paul Susca (NHDES) to gain NHDES' support for this request.
- In a discussion with NHDOT on this subject, NHDOT directed us to District 3 (Gilford) for their opinion/support.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond – Draft letter to District 3 for their support to ban Pass Through Hazmat Trucks on Winona/Waukewan Roads.**

Status NHLA Demonstration Project:

- The Lake Conservation Core program sponsored by the NH Lakes Association has been established and begun at the Interlakes High School.
- The agreed plan is to modify the Meredith Park area adjacent to the Meredith Public Boat ramp on Lake Waukewan to demonstrate effect use of native plantings and terrain that optimize the protection of the lake from run-off.
- Work to be performed by the students with the support of Meredith DPW for heavy machine work, will be completed by August 31, 2009.

Septic System Health Ordinance Update:

- Bruce Bond reported that John Edgar is not in support of the intended Health Ordinance without supporting data.
- The WWAC members were shocked by this reversal of intent. It was our understanding that there was substantial risk analysis data to support this project and that the intent to create a Health Ordinance that would require a certified Septic system inspection before any Meredith property would receive an approved Building Permit was going forward as planned.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond – Request John Edgar or his representative to present the concerns of the committee that was developing this Health Ordinance to the WWAC at our next meeting.**

Lake Host Program for 2009:

- Tim Whiting reported that the NH Lakes Association has reduced budget monies to support the Lake Host program for 2009, but that they agreed to provide \$2500 toward the paid Lake Hosts for Lake Waukewan for 2009.
- Tim reported that based on the coverage provided by the Paid Lake Hosts last year, it will require about \$4500 of funds in 2009 for the paid Lake Hosts. Tim is asking both the WWAC and Waukewan Shore Owners Association for \$1000 to supplement the \$2500 from the NHLA.
- The WWAC members agreed to allocate \$1000 for the 2009 Lake Host program.
Note: Subsequent to this meeting, Tim Whiting reported that the NH Lakes Association will provide \$2000 not \$2500. So Tim will be asking for \$1250 not \$1000 from the WWAC and from the WSOA.

Lake Waukewan official water level:

- Bill Corr reported that NHDES Dam Bureau is working toward establishing the official water level of Lake Waukewan to be 539 feet above sea level. Meetings have been held with the dam's owner. The dam has been inspected and found to be in need of some repair. Further the inspection report said, the dam is not sufficient to maintain a 540 foot level without substantial redesign.
- Tim Whiting expressed concern that the 539 foot level might make the public boat ramp unusable and require substantial rework of the boat ramp.
- **Action Item: Bill Corr – E-mail a copy of the report describing the NHDES Dam Bureau's findings.**

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Street Sweeping Collections:

- Bruce reported that Bill Edney talked to Ruel Sweeping Services and that they dump their street collections at the Meredith Snow Area off Jenness Hill Road

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

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

Note: The WWAC Meeting on 2/12/09 was cancelled for lack of a quorum.