

# Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes June 8, 2006

## Members Present:

Bruce Bond  
Randy Eifert  
John Hodsdon  
Roger Hogan  
Bonnie Ireland  
Peter Miller  
Pru Tylanda  
Bob Vogler

## Staff Present:

John Edgar  
Bob Hill

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by Bruce Bond.

The May 25, 2006 meeting minutes were approved as written.

Bob Hill reported on the status of the Sanitary Survey he had sent out to residents on the East and West side of Lake Waukewan that aren't currently on the Meredith sewer line. About 225 surveys were sent out. Of the 56 responses received, 31 said they would be in favor of having sewer service, 13 were against sewer service and 12 had no comment regarding sewer service. Bob felt the people were taking the survey very serious and were providing conscientious responses.

Bob Hill handed out a copy of a proposal from KVPartners LLC for an Engineering Study to estimate the cost of extending the Meredith sewer line down the East and West sides of Lake Waukewan. Bob asked all members of WWAC to give him their comments on the proposal before he submits it to the Meredith Selectmen. The cost for the study is \$24,000 but some or all of the cost could be covered by grants. There was considerable discussion to extend the sewer cost study beyond the Meredith town lines into the Northern end of the watershed. This would be in New Hampton and Center Harbor. All members felt that was a good idea.

John Edgar agreed to contact one of the New Hampton Selectmen to set up an informal meeting to discuss changing their zoning to 2 acre minimum for New Hampton in the Waukewan Watershed.

There was considerable discussion regarding the leasing of RR land from NHDOT for the purposes of crossing the tracks and installing a dock in Lake Waukewan. John Edgar is pursuing this issue with DOT; he has asked them to provide land maps of DOT property of the area along the RR on the West side of Lake Waukewan including what land is already under a lease. It was agreed by all WWAC members with one abstention by Peter Miller that the WWAC would write an advisory letter to the Meredith Selectmen stating that ***To the extent of the law that DOT determines that they must grant a lease to a requesting party that it should interpret the law in the narrowest manner. Specifically the WWAC feels that any lease should not be granted for Commercial purposes; should not be granted for the purpose of subdivision; should not be transferable and its use should be subject to any state and local regulations.*** In general it was felt it was okay for property owners abutting the RR property to be granted a lease for the purpose of their access to the lake.

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We briefly discussed the educational task for Septic Systems. Two or three available documents were identified to be included in an information packet intended to be distributed by the WWAC team. One of the items can be purchased from the State of NH for \$0.50 each. The other two would require that they be printed. Via these minutes, the WWAC is requesting permission from the Meredith Selectmen to spend an amount not to exceed \$1000.00 for the Septic System information packets. This motion was approved by all members present with one abstention from Peter Miller.

John Edgar identified another document titled *What do you know about Septic Systems: Your On-site Wastewater Treatment*. This document can be obtained from the web site [www.neiwpcc.org](http://www.neiwpcc.org).

Scheduled Waukewan Watershed Management Plan presentations:

- **Waukewan Shore Owners Association,**  
**Winona Shore Owners Associations,**  
**Winona Shores Association &**  
**Winona Forest Association** – Saturday July 15, 2006 at  
10:00am at the Meredith Community Center.

Next Meeting:            June 22, 2006 at 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the Meredith  
Town Hall Annex.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved at the June 22, 2006 meeting.