

Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2008

Members Present:

Bruce Bond
Randy Eifert
Caroline Gosse
John Hodsdon
Bonnie Ireland
Prue Tylenda
Bob Vogler
Tim Whiting

Staff Present:

Visitors:

Robert E. Morency, Jr., RCAP Solutions

Proposed agenda:

- Approval of minutes from the 5/22/08 meeting
- VOC 2008 Testing of Lake Waukewan
- Update on septic system risk analysis work
- Bob Morency on septic system outreach approach
- Discussion redevelopment site on Hawkins Pond
- Review draft of letter to Center Harbor/New Hampton on petroleum/hazmat trucking on Waukewan Winona Roads
- Discussion of SB 384
- Other business

Chairman Bruce Bond called the meeting to order at 8:20 am at the Town Hall Annex.

The **WWAC Meeting Minutes from 5/22/08** were approved as had been updated.

Bob Morency of RCAP Solutions:

- Bob submitted a draft Service Plan titled *Trailblazer Program, Waukewan Watershed*. The principal benefits this Service Plan offers is educational material regarding septic systems and perhaps financial assistance to needy people who have a failed septic system.
- Bob is asking for WWAC's support for his plan. He will be working with Angela LaBrecque, Meredith Town Planner.
- WWAC members voted unanimously to support his plan.

Lake Host Program:

- Tim Whiting reported the NH Lakes has provided a \$2500 grant for the Lake Waukewan Lake Host program for 2008.
- Tim anticipates that the 2008 season cost for the paid Lake Hosts will be \$4500. The Waukewan Shore Owners Association has already agreed to fund \$1000 and Tim is requesting the Town of Meredith fund to other \$1000.
- The motion to obtain \$1000 from the town of Meredith to cover the extended ramp coverage for 2008 was unanimously approved.

VOC Testing:

- Bruce reported that the Meredith Water Dept will be doing the monthly water testing from June through October.
- The WWAC agrees to fund the Lab Testing of the water samples. Manpower costs to collect the samples would be covered by the Water Dept.

Septic System Status:

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- Bruce Bond reported that the committee working on this project has determined the risk attributes of the properties on Lake Waukewan.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond to request the risk attributes be provided to the WWAC.**

Redevelopment Site on Hawkins Pond

- Bruce reported that Center Harbor has issued a Building Permit to replace an existing building on Hawkins Pond even though no septic system design has been submitted.
- NHDES is investigating this issue.

Hazmat letter to Center Harbor & New Hampton

- The intent of this letter is to request the towns of Meredith, Center Harbor and New Hampton support the request to the NHDOT to ban cargo trucks carrying Hazard Materials from using the unofficial Meredith bypass of Winona Road and Waukewan Roads through the towns of Meredith, Center Harbor and New Hampton. These roads are adjacent to and cross over the water bodies of the Waukewan Watershed.
- Bruce will submit a draft of the letter via e-mail to all WWAC for their review and to send their comments to Bob Vogler.
- **Action Item: Bob Vogler – Incorporate the comments and modify the draft accordingly.**

SB 384

- This bill was adopted by both the House and Senate on April 23, 2008. Its major addition is that the sale of any waterfront property using a septic disposal system must have an on-site assessment study of the system by a certified septic disposal system designer. If this designer discovers evidence of a septic system failure, they must report it in writing to the NHDES as well as the local health officer.

Other business:

- John Hodsdon suggested that we get a copy of an agreement he believes was entered into by Meredith and Center Harbor regarding a health ordinance for Lake Waukewan.
- **Action Item: Bruce Bond – Investigate if this exists and if so get a copy of the Agreement.**
- Caroline Gosse expressed that she felt she can no longer provide the time the WWAC deserves and therefore feels she should resign. She agreed to pursue an Ashland replacement representative. At this meeting, the WWAC members expressed our thanks and appreciation for her participation in the WWAC achievements.
- Bruce has requested information from Bob Hill on why there were only 15 commercial businesses on the survey done by GSRWA last year when there are many more businesses in the watershed. No response from Bob Hill yet. Bruce agreed to follow-up on this.
- The watershed aerial photo project is done and available for viewing at <http://www.aerialphotonh.com/Waukewan/index.htm>.
- **Action Item: Randy Eifert – Contact Bill Hemmel to obtain the projects deliverables:**
 - 1) CDs with high resolution photos.
 - 2) CDs with lower resolution (equal to what is currently on the above website) photos.The intent is to provide the material required to ultimately put this on the Meredith website in the same form as it is now on Bill Hemmel's website. Bill Hemmel has agreed to leave it up on his website for an indefinite period.
- Randy expressed concern that people on Lake Waukewan are adding sand to their beaches without permission. NH state law says it is allowable to add sand to the beaches once every six years after receiving a permit to do so from the state.

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- Because of the conflict with the NH Lakes Conference on 6/26/08, it was decided to cancel the next scheduled WWAC meeting on 6/26/08.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:14 am.

Next Meeting: Thursday July 10, 2008 @ 8:00 am – 10:00 am at the Town Hall Annex.

Minutes submitted by Bob Vogler.

These minutes were approved as drafted at the WWAC 7/10/08 meeting.