

Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Location: Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments (AVCOG), Auburn, Maine

Time: Meeting began at 3:30 PM

Recording: There was a video recording of this meeting. It will be placed on the Great Falls TV website for viewing.

Commissioners Present: Dick Thibodeau, John Bonneau, Alicia Rea, Tizz Crowley, Dave Jones, Amy Landry, Bethel Shields

Commissioners Absent: Joe Grube, Steve French

Others Present: Kevin Gagne, LAWPC Clerk, Michael Broadbent LAWPC Secretary, Sid Hazelton, LAWPC Clerk, Heather Hunter, LAWPC Financial Officer, Erica Kidd, Water Quality Manager.

Commissioner Shields called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM

Vote 1– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Crowley to move agenda Items #6, #3 and #2 out of order.

Passed 7-0

Agenda Item 6: Election of Officers

Vote 2– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Crowley to elect the following officers to the Commission.

John Bonneau as Chair, Joe Grube as Vice Chair, Sid Hazelton and Kevin Gagne as Clerks, Mike Broadbent as Secretary and Heather Hunter as Treasurer.

Passed 7-0

Agenda Item 3: Quarterly Financial Update- Heather Hunter

Heather went over a financial statement that was provided to the Commissioners in their agenda packets.

Vote 3– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Rea to accept the report as presented.

Passed 7-0

Agenda Item 2: Lake Auburn Sediment Study- Dr. Steve Norton

Dr. Norton was introduced by Sid Hazelton. Dr. Norton presented a summary of his findings from core samples collected of the sediment in Lake Auburn. In summary, he and his associates have determined that the soils in and around Lake Auburn contain Appetite, which means that the soils are subject to releasing phosphorus when they are disturbed. Dr. Norton urged the Commissioners to take all steps to prevent erosion and development of the shoreline of Lake Auburn. A manuscript of the findings is being prepared and will be published soon.

Vote 4– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shields to move agenda Item 7 out of order.

Passed 7-0

Agenda Item 7: Open session- Dan Campbell

Dan Campbell was present to talk about the Lake Auburn half marathon. This event has been taking place for the last several years and they would like to continue hosting this year.

Agenda Item 1: Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 11, 2018

Vote 5– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Crowley to accept the minutes of the April 11, 2018 with the corrections suggested by the Commissioners.

Passed 7-0

Agenda Item 4: Water Quality Update and Activity Report – Erica Kidd

Erica Kidd introduced herself to the Commission and went over her activities to date. She reported that the official ice out date was April 21, 2018 which is later than normal. Erica also reported that Bates has been collecting their typical samples, the data buoys are out collecting data and that lab staff have started collecting in lake samples and perimeter samples. Erica also reported that she hired a boat inspector for the summer. Erica reported that she has been working with the Commission's forester to kick-off management of two of the Commission's properties.

Vote 6– Motion by Commissioner Jones and seconded by Commissioner Shields to accept the Water Quality report presented.

Passed 7-0

Dave Jones and Alicia Rea were excused from the meeting

Agenda Item 5: North Auburn Road Erosion Control Project – Sid Hazelton

Sid presented that there is an area between Whitman Spring Road and North Auburn Road that has significant erosion occurring. This area is on private property and extends towards

Whitman Spring Road towards the Commission's property. Sid is requesting \$10,000 to restore this area and armor the drainage swale to prevent further damage.

Vote 7– Motion by Commissioner Shields and seconded by Commissioner Thibodeau to allocate \$10,000 to repair the eroded area.

Passed 5-0

John Bonneau opened discussion up for Commissioners

Tizz reported that the Commission website is out of date, meeting minutes are not up to date, the swim ability button is not working and the agenda packets have not been getting posted. Tizz also reported that the meeting videos are not complete and may be mislabeled.

Tizz makes the following motions:

1. Tizz moves that anytime a Commission Meeting is canceled due to weather that the meeting be rescheduled to the following month, on the same day, at the same time and at the same location. Bethel seconded
2. Tizz moves to develop a procedure where two or more Commissioners can add agenda items to the meetings. Bethel Seconds
3. Tizz moves that we add to our future agendas an open session for commissioners. Commissioner Landry seconded this motion

Vote 7– Motion by Commissioner Crowley and seconded by Commissioner Shields to table these motions till the next meeting.

Passed 5-0

Vote 8– Motion by Commissioner Shields and seconded by Commissioner Landry to adjourn the meeting.

Passed 5-0

A true record, attest;



Michael Broadbent

Secretary of the LAWPC