Isinglass Protection Committee

Meeting minutes in blue

Tuesday September 10, 2013, BES-Annex, Route 125, 6:30pm

Present: Gail and Chris Mills, Chadd Chippensteel, Russ Brackett, Peggy Fitzgerald, Doug Bogen, Jim Conley, Gail Darrell, Cilia Bannenberg Agenda items in black:

Review of Minutes – August 26, 2013

August 26 meeting minutes were accepted as is.

Continue working on second draft Bill of Rights Ordinance

Tabled: we will finish the ordinance after the Democracy School

The handout: "What the Barrington Community Bill of Rights for Rivers and Residents Ordinance Does" was finished and approved.

Should we change the Committee's name? It's not only the Isinglass we're protecting, but all rivers and ponds and watersheds.

Guest: Gail Darrell from CELDF.org will join the Committee to answer questions about the ordinance.

Questions and concerns were answered.

Guests: Chris and Gail Mills from Nottingham. They've been through the process of writing and enforcing the ordinance. They confirmed to come to answer questions. Chris and Gail Mills explained about the Democracy School; how helpful it was to learn about the current laws. They hosted 4 or 5 DS's and they have been doing this since 2007. They explained how they got some town officials on board like selectman Mark Carpenter. They suggested inviting him to talk here in Barrington to explain things to our Selectmen. They made some good points about how to get the ordinance known in town by posting flyers on telephone poles.

US Springs is in bankruptcy, in Chapter 7. They have been trying to sell the land. There is a Barrington piece of land involved also. The Mills' have informed potential buyers about what has been going on.

They said they did power point presentations in churches, on local tv, at town meeting with different prominent town people presenting.

"Pacer" is convenient to find court docs; you need to sign in.

"Save our groundwater" are aware of what we're doing.

Democracy School; dates September 20-21, 2013

Continue to get the word out and signing people up.

We have 13 people signed up to date. The times have changed for Saturday Sept. 21. It was scheduled from 9am-5pm, but has been changed to 8:30am-4:30pm.

Public Comments

Meeting was posted on 9/5/13

Respectfully submitted by: Cilia Bannenberg