

Lee, NH Sustainability Committee  
Meeting Minutes -DRAFT  
August 10, 2016 at 7:00PM  
Lee Public Safety Complex

Present: Chuck Cox, Dean Rubine, Brian Giles, Leslie Adams, Paul Gasowski  
Absent: Matt Rowell

Call to Order at 7:04 PM by Paul Gasowski

Preliminary Actions

- A. Introductions: None
- B. Approval of Agenda- Added NHDES Notification-Brian. Approved.
- C. Minutes: Minutes approved from 7/13/16 and 7/27/16.
- D. Correspondence: Brian shared NHDES Notification on 'pulse release' of water from Pawtuckaway Lake on 8/12-8/14, 2016 to measure threshold management of the Lamprey. Durham and three other towns that draw water from the Lamprey were notified of event and required to find alternate water sources for the time period. Brian is a member on the Instream Flow Committee for the State of NH. Questions and discussion followed.

Public Comments: None

Discussion Items

- A. Final approval Vision Statement (5-0 vote).  
*We envision a sustainable Lee where people live in a comfortable balance with natural systems and with each other in the present and long into the future. A sustainable Lee has a vibrant ecological, social and economic health; its citizens enjoy a high quality of life with sufficient economic, food, energy and human resources to live well.*
- B. Deferred Mission Statement and Preliminary Actions discussion until next regular meeting. Leslie and Dean will bring notes from 7/13/16.

New Business

- A. Links and Resource Database: Leslie presented her work to date on the Lee Sustainability Committee Links and Resources Database. Paul had additional entries that he shared and will email to the committee. Chuck suggested possible involvement of the LSC in recycling and assistance to the Transfer Station. Dean will collate database info for internal use by the committee in charting its course of action, eventually the database may be mounted on the web site.
- B. Paul updated our web site presence and explained the process for posting.
- C. Leslie reported on local water resources, focusing on Durham water use as it impacts Lee. Lee Five Corners well permit expires in 2024. Dave Cedarholm was mentioned as a water resource. Chuck mentioned the Strafford Regional Planning Commission

as a resource. Chuck supports our concern over Lee's water resources. Brian sees water resources as part of our mission and suggests that we pursue this with passion. Paul reminds the committee that all work/efforts must be supported by the committee. All agree. General discussion about whether water testing results for Lee (public and private) are available for study. Further discussion of the Durham well at the Oyster River Solar Array and the recharging of Spruce Hole via Lamprey River drawdowns.

D. Chuck suggested an education/outreach idea of a book club or reading group for sustainability-related issues. Chuck suggested adding titles to the Lee Library's collection. All will suggest titles for next meeting.

Public Comments: None

Closing Actions:

- A. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 7:00PM ...Lee Public Safety Complex. Motion to meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM in the Safety Complex. Motion passed. Write article for E-Crier soon.
- B. Agenda Planning: Work on 'Mission Statement and Action Items'. Report on individual tasks.
- C. Reminder to get sworn-in.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Submitted by dr/plg 8/15/16