

**Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2013 Raymond Safety Building 7:00 p.m.**

APPROVED FEB. 28, 2013

members present: Dick Snow (Candia), Joe Foley, Jenn Rowden (Epping), Todd Piskovitz (Exeter), Harriet Cady (Deerfield), Anne Lightbody, Dick Lord (Durham), Fred Lindahl (Fremont), Sharon Meeker (Lee), Alison Watts (Newfields), Mike Russo (Nottingham), Ted Janusz (Raymond)

quorum: at least one rep from at least seven towns: yes

guests present: Suzanne Petersen

absent: Bill Hall, Rachel Stevens (excused), Kitty Miller, Preston Samuel, Peter Wellenberger (excused), Kathleen Hoelzel

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m..

small group review and discussion of 2013 management plan update

approval of minutes from 11-29-2013:

Jenn Rowden made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Alison Watts seconded. Dick Snow made a correction that his absence from the November meeting was excused. Minutes were approved as amended with 5 yes votes and 7 abstentions.

Green Infrastructure project, by Alison Watts

Alison handed out fliers describing a new collaborative sponsored by the Southeast Watershed Alliance, the UNH Stormwater Center, Antioch University, Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Rockingham Planning Commission. "The project will deliver customized technical assistance and educational resources focused on stormwater management in the coastal watershed. The project goals are to provide municipalities with tools to build more resilient infrastructure and encourage implementation of green infrastructure practices."

The project will offer workshops for general information and is looking for projects identified by towns. The project offers expertise and funding. The Green Infrastructure Advisory Board ideally will be composed of volunteer representatives from each town and local river advisory committees. The advisory board will meet four times per year for the first year and three times per year for the second year. The first meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 29. If interested, contact Alison or other people noted on the fliers.

Deerfield Safety Building Proposal, Harriet Cady

The residents of Deerfield will be asked to vote on a warrant article soon regarding a safety complex to be located 400-800 feet from Freese's Pond at the intersection routes 43 and 4. The site size is 8-11 acres. The town is aware that LRAC will be commenting on any proposed plans and permit applications. Harriet was concerned that the project will contribute run-off and damage the pond and rivers. Other members noted that if the article passes, this might be a good opportunity to engage the Green Infrastructure group to create a model for others.

membership recruitment:

Mike Russo announced that Emily Schmalzer and Bonnie Winona-Mackinnon had resigned from the committee. New members are needed. He urged representatives to recruit new members. Barrington, Brentwood, and Northwood currently have no representation on the committee.

project review:

A proposal for Epping was received but it is incomplete. The meeting for February is canceled due to no new business.

town updates:

Dick Snow reported excavation activities at the Candia/Raymond line bear watching. The sites are located near the confluence of the main stem and the North Branch River. Litigation is in process and changes in zoning are being pursued. He expressed concern that DES might not be aware of the situation and asked LRAC to be involved. After discussion, the group agreed to have Mike Russo contact Jacquie Colburn at DES and ask for advice. Mike will report back to the group in February.

upcoming speakers:

Ted Diers from DES will speak about the in-stream flow plan. Jenn Rowden will make a presentation about DES river segment report cards and how they can be used.

adjournment:

Dick Lord made a motion to adjourn. Alison Watts seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m..

Minutes typed by S. Petersen