Marine and Fresh Water Quality Task Force Minutes, May 16, 2011 Skaket Room, Orleans Town Hall

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Attending Members: Carolyn Kennedy, Jack "Bugs" Moran, Gilbert Merritt, Bob Royce, Ken Scott, Judy Scanlon

Concerned Citizen: Charles Harris

Meeting called to order by Chair Carolyn Kennedy at 10:00 am.

1) Minutes of the April 11 meeting were approved. 5-0-1

2) Cedar Pond: Task Force members are reviewing a proposal to see if we can either scale down the scope of work or phase it over two years to reduce annual cost. We will then explore other avenues of funding.

3) Spring Pond Sampling: Underway

4) Estuary Sampling: Carolyn is looking for samplers for Mill Pond, Lonnie's Pond and Meeting House Pond.

Pleasant Bay Training is June 16 at 4-6 pm. Check-off 6-7 pm on the 16th and 4-5 pm on the 22nd. Location TBD.

Orleans Training June 23rd, 6:30 pm at the Orleans Lab.

Sample dates : Wed. July 06; 6-8 am

Wed. July 20; 6-8 am Thu. Aug. 04; 6-8 am Thu. Aug. 18; 7-9 am Mon. Sep. 19; 7-9 am

5) Namskaket Sampling: The 14 months of sampling will be completed with one TF sampling in June on the 7 with Ken and Bugs and one sampling in July on the 5th at 9:30 am with Ken and Gilbert. Dr. Peter Weiskel, of the USGS, met with concerned citizens in Namskaket Marsh on April 20 and also addressed the BOS meeting that night about the prior and current sampling. His results showed no change in sample water quality since the Tri-Town Plant was put in operation. His BOS presentation can be seen on the Orleans Town Web site. BOS meeting on April 20, 2011.

6) Other Business:

- Judy Martin has submitted her resignation from the Task Force. She has a new job, in Hyannis, and is unable to participate in the Task Force meetings.
- Herring Run: 70 volunteers have monitored the Pilgrim Lake herring run since April 1. Total count to date is below last year. A new eel ladder provided by MA Division of Marine Fisheries has been used at the herring run. Results to date have been encouraging.
- Charles Harris reported that Eastham has a RFP out for fresh water pond remediation. The TF will continue to follow this project.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am. 6-0-0

Respectfully submitted:

Gilbert Merritt

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