

Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee Meeting Notes November 17, 2011

Torrent Hall, Raymond, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m..

members present: Emily Schamlzer (Brentwood), Richard Snow (Candia), Harriet Cady (Deerfield), Dick Lord (Durham), Jenn Rowden (Epping), Joe Foley (Epping), Todd Piskovitz (Exeter), Fred Lindahl (Fremont), Sharon Meeker (Lee), Jere Beckman (Lee), Michelle Daley (Newmarket), Mike Russo (Nottingham), Bonnie Winona-Mackinnon (Nottingham), Patrick Bower (Raymond), Ted Janusz (Raymond), Kathleen Hoelzel (Raymond), Mike Kappler (at large)

guests present: Jacquie Colburn (NHDES), Dawn Genes (LRWA), Suzanne Petersen (W&S LRAC)

absent: Steve Conklin, Ellen Conklin, Wes Golomb, Jim Hewitt, Bill Hall, Kitty Miller, Alison Watts, Jim Hadley.

Project Review:

NH DES will conduct an all-day workshop **in early 2012** for new river advisory committee members to discuss the project review process. Members noted concerns that the process needs to be clarified not only to committee members but also to applicants and DES.

Website:

Suzanne Petersen announced that the newly rebuilt website would be up and live in the very near future. Although the website is funded by the National Park Service for the Wild and Scenic section of the river, the new website will also accommodate the expanded Lamprey River Advisory Committee, and will serve as a repository for agendas, minutes, and pertinent documents.

Committee Name:

Names that had been suggested at the last meeting were listed on a white board and on voting papers. Mike Kappler noted that following a recent discussion with some watershed professionals, the word "watershed" is not a good word to use with the public due to a lack of understanding. A more effective substitute is "basin". With that said, one more name was added to the ballot: Lamprey River Basin Local Advisory Committee. Members submitted their votes and two names tied for first place: Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee and Lamprey River Basin Local Advisory Committee. Following another vote, the winner was Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee. Members were asked to think about a tagline that makes use of "basin".

Sub-committee Reports:

The project review sub-committee reported only that the projects proposals are not yet ready to be acted upon.

Bylaws:

Sharon Meeker, Mike Russo, Dick Lord, and Jim MacCartney reviewed the current Lamprey River Advisory Committee Bylaws and a modified version of the Cocheco River Advisory Committee Bylaws and created a working template. Mike Russo led the review of the template for the committee. The governance sub-committee was not ready to decide on a final version that night, but comments from the full committee were requested.

Mike Kappler made a motion: In accordance with the intention of staggered terms in Section 5, sub-paragraph C, the chair and secretary should have an initial term of three years and the vice chair and treasurer should have a term of two years. Fred Lindahl seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Following discussion on definitions of quorum, **Mike Kappler made a motion to define a quorum as a minimum of 13 people and 7 towns. Harriet Cady seconded. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.**

Mike Kappler made a motion that Robert's Rules of Order govern the proceedings at all meetings. There was no second.

Fred Lindahl made a motion to strike Paragraph B from Article VII regarding the use of Robert's Rules at meetings. Dick Lord seconded. Motion passed with 15 yes votes, 2 opposed, and 1 abstention.

Discussion of bylaws will continue at the next meeting on Dec. 15. Mike Russo offered to hear informal comments following adjournment.

Mike Kappler made a motion to adjourn. Mike Russo seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m..