

**Town of Chesterfield
Watershed Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2022**

Present – Bayard Tracy, Ron Coburn, Brad Roscoe and Dan Syvertsen

Absent – Kelli Hanzalik, Charlie Paquette

Brad called the meeting to order at 9:32

Bayard moved to review, Ron seconded. Bayard moved to accept, Ron seconded. Passed unanimously.

Brad mentioned that the minutes from all meetings are now available on the website.

Testing

Bayard reviewed communications from FB Environmental, DES (Sara Steiner) and Chris Oot. Recommendations by FB were reviewed by Chris and Sara, comments included:

Agree with Nitrogen

Dissolved organic carbon requires too much field work

Agree with Chloride

Agree with eliminating e-coli in front of Brattleboro Row

Agree with eliminating Pierce Island test spots

The data loggers are more than we need, it is redundant with what we get from the SLA's dissolved oxygen meter

Flow meter is being put off because of the added testing already planned for 2022

Not going with recommendation for additional deep spot testing

With all the consultants and reviews, we are confident with the water testing plan for 2022.

Land Use Regulations

Brad got templates from NHMA of what towns have used for land use regulations to protect

Bayard talked to NH Lakes and DES.

DES has 4 groups - wetlands, shore line, sub-surface water and alteration of terrain. Each group has compliance/approval and enforcement departments.

Neither department sends people out to sites unless a complaint is filed. State statues encourage Towns to enforce these regulations and

NH Lakes put is in touch with someone at Lake Sunapee

Conclusions from conversations - town has the ability to enforce. There are not many towns that we can look to for advice/solutions.

One problem we recognize is that the process for building permits makes the flow of information difficult to know what is happening within the shoreline.

We need to hear from the lawyer to get an idea of what we can recommend to the Selectboard.

Brad is going to reach out to the lawyer to schedule a meeting with the committee. Kelli mentioned that the Town attorney is located on the coast, and he does not typically travel for meetings. Contract covers the conversation, not the travel.

Bayard referenced Low Impact Development (LID) and he will research more about this and how we can bring it to the Town/Watershed.

Other Business

Raising Awareness - Ron provided a blurb that can be distributed to residents of the Town to let them know what is happening. The charge is to bring recommendations to the Selectboard.

Dan mentioned the need to think through what education would be beneficial for the SLA to bring to its members and other residents (i.e. LID, Septic, Stormwater, Water Softeners).

Bayard moved to adjourn, Ron seconded. Passed unanimously.

Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad Roscoe', written in a cursive style.

Brad Roscoe
Chairman