Town of Chesterfield Watershed Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes August 25, 2022

Present – Brad Roscoe, Dan Syvertsen, Ron Coburn and selectboard rep Judy Idelkope.

Absent - Charlie Paquette and Bayard Tracy

Brad Called meeting to order at 9:32 AM and it is available to the public via Zoom.

Review of Minutes

Ron made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dan. No discussion. Minor edits were made. Dan moved to approved minutes as amended and Ron seconded. Approved unanimously.

Test Results

3rd testing event on August 11. Only two tributaries had water - Moose Hollow and LaChance Inlet.

At the deep spot - levels of low DO at a higher depth than in the past. It continues to get more and more severe.

Couple more sightings of Cyanobacteria near Route 63 #3. Samples were taken and sent to lab in Florida for testing toxicity. Kelli Hanzalik is taking the lead on behalf of the SLA for the cyanobacteria testing. She recommends the watershed committee consider recommending a higher water level to the BOS to be more prepared for drought conditions.

The SLA is going to be putting together a cyanobacteria watch committee to better track and test toxicity.

Chris also brought up concern in regards to the tributary that ends at Stearns Cove and the amount of sediment that is discharged during a storm event. Discussion ensued about the Spofford Hall development and what stormwater management systems are in place. Matt will follow up with Chris to look at the plans on file.

Land Use Regulations

Discussion ensued about how to bring Low Impact Development into the Town's regulations. We talked about impervious surfaces, driveways, tributaries and the need for a Watershed District.

Action Item - Dan will write a draft letter to the Selectboard about Land Use recommendations for the committee to review at the next meeting.

Next Meeting is scheduled for September 15 at 9:30 AM

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Dan Syvertsen motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ron. Passes unanimously.

Signature

Brad Roscoe

Chairman