Town of Chesterfield Watershed Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes December 16, 2021

Present: Brad Roscoe, Charlie Paquette, Bayard Tracy, Ron Coburn, Dan Syvertsen, Kelli Hanzalik (selectboard rep)

Absent: none

Brad called the meeting to Order

Brad reviewed the right-to-know laws. Whenever 3 or more committee members are together it would be considered a meeting, and needs to be avoided unless an official meeting is scheduled. Same rules apply to email.

Minutes from 12/7 were reviewed and small edits were made. Brad moved to accept minutes as amended and Ron seconded. Approved anonymously.

Minutes from 12/15 were reviewed and spelling corrections were made. Brad moved to accept minutes as amended and Ron seconded. Approved anonymously.

Talk About Field Visits

Discussion around the amount of inlets into the Lake and how muck work is already being done to monitor.

Discussion around the importance of dealing with septic systems. Many ideas were shared on how to help landowners raise awareness of their own septic systems.

Education will be an important part of helping landowners. SLA can take the lead on education while the town focuses on the enforcement of regulations.

Plan General Topics

Water testing

Discussed a budget to ask for to do additional testing along inlets, focusing on multiple points of each inlet.

Decided to ask for a budget \$5,000 for water testing.

Action item to explore where and when to test, and get estimates for testing.

Enforcement/Regulation

Discussion around current regulation and the need for enforcement. Education plays an important role letting property owners know what is expected of them.

Tied to land use plans/regulations.

Recommendations

Discussed North Shore beach and the need to readdress the design that does not appear to be working to reduce runoff.

Committee is making a recommendation to ask the Select board to reopen the contract with the engineer who designed the plan and seek to get it fixed.

Discussion about the Town adding a warrant article for \$10,000 to be added to the Invasive Species Expendable trust. A motion was made by Bayard and seconded by Brad. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made to request \$6,000 budget for watershed committee in 2022. \$5,000 for testing and \$1,000 for misc. expenses. Dan made a motion to approve, seconded by Charlie. Passes unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Bayard. Second by Ron. Passed unanimously.

1/6/2021

Signature

Brad Roscoe Chairman

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