# Town of Chesterfield Watershed Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes January 20, 2021

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

Absent – Kelli Hanzalik

Brad called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM

## **Public Comment**

Jeff Scott mentioned NH Lakes is doing a webinar on septic systems that may be of interest to the committee.

Bayard moved to review the minutes. Seconded by Charlie.

Bayard motioned to approve as written. Ron seconded. Approved unanimously.

# Swearing In

Any outstanding members need to swear in today. Barbara is in the office and available after the meeting.

### Testing plan

Chris Oot provided information on his follow up assignments from the last meeting. All recommendations from the previous meeting were confirmed to be worthwhile changes to the overall testing plan.

The State is willing to take the responsibility of testing the deep spot and phosphorous levels in the early Spring and late Fall. This will be helpful because sometimes there are not boats in the water at those times of year.

Peter Holton is working with Bayard and Chris to collect all the data that is collected into an Excel file which will allow us to easily access and examine the data. Tests are submitted to the state and the results are sent back, which is then added to Excel file.

The SLA will continue to do the testing with the additional sites being added to their sampling schedule. The committee will need to help recruit volunteers to have the proper manpower to get all the samples. Action Item - Bayard will get the additional costs for all the new samples.

Winter testing for chloride and conductivity will begin ASAP. \$160 total cost. SLA will cover the cost. **Action Item – Chris Oot will schedule and oversee these samplings.** 

Committee discussed recommendations form the State which included dropping some site. It is recommended we drop Galka Cover and Shield's Inlet to once a year and drop Namachaug Landing completely. They also recommended dropping the beach sampling. The SLA has reasons for testing all of these. Committee recommends dropping Shield's to once a year and Namachaug completely. Galka goes to 4X/year and continue to do beach samples.

We are still looking for feedback from the modeler. **Action Item – Chris will continue to work to get in touch with FB Environmental** 

#### **New Business**

The committee discussed water softeners and wondered what impact it has on salt into the Lake. The SLA can continue to educate homeowners on residential salt use.

The committee discussed DES permitting requirements and the impact it has on the Town's ability to monitor and approve work along the Lake. Discussion ensued on how the committee can help the Town enforce shoreland permits.

Action Item – committee members need to take time to research Zoning Ordinances and other land use regulations that are currently in place for the next meeting.

Bayard moved to close the meeting. Ron seconded. Passed unanimously.

Signature

Brad Roscoe Chairman