Town of Chesterfield Watershed Committee Meeting Minutes November 21, 2023

Present - Bayard Tracy, Brad Roscoe, Dan Syvertsen, and Selectboard Rep Judy Idelkope.

Brad called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM

Richard Mellen requested to attend via phone. Bayard made a motion to approve Richard's remote attendance, seconded by Dan. Unanimously approved.

Absent - Charlie Paquette

Review of Minutes

Bayard moved to approve the minutes from November 9, seconded by Dan. Passed unanimously.

Bayard brought up the total cost of the 2023 testing and shared that the actual totals were lower than originally communicated because the first estimate included some work done by FB Environmental for the Spofford Lake Association.

Judy shared that the Selectboard was still discussing the use of ARPA funds for the Boat Ramp. Bayard is going to attend the next meeting to ask for a decision.

Planning Board Follow Up

Brad shared the outcome of the 11/19 Planning Board meeting. They reached a consensus on definitions for "Pervious Paving" and "Impermeable Surfaces" along with changes to coverage limits to be considered for Planning Board recommendation. The committee reviewed the verbiage and discussed it. Recommended changes can be made at the next public hearing on December 4.

Brad brought up the other recommendations made by the Watershed Committee to the Planning Board which have yet to be discussed. The Planning Board chairman has provided his own recommendations in opposition to this committee's recommendations.

Brad reviewed the options for getting ordinances approved without the Planning Board's participation with the Town Lawyer. He found that if something is voted on a Town ballot it cannot be added as a warrant article at Town meeting, but if it is not on the ballot, it can be added as a warrant article.

Bayard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dan. Passed unanimously. Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 7 at 9:30 AM.

Signature And Market

Brad Roscoe Chairman