

CRJC Riverbend Subcommittee  
Minutes  
Thursday, April 26, 2018  
7:00PM  
Littleton Community Center,  
Littleton, NH

Attendance:

Jan Edick (Littleton)  
Jim Sherrard (Littleton)  
Ken Hunter (Monroe)  
Rick Walling (Bath)  
Bill Graves (Barnet)  
Gal Potashnick (Dalton) –Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust

Nick Altonaga (NCC Staff)

1) Welcome and Introductions

Introductions made all around. Discussion of Vermont Communities which need reps (Dalton, Ryegate, Lunenburg need representatives.)

Approve Meeting Minutes from October 26, 2017

Hand out and review of meeting minutes from October meeting. No discussion of meeting minutes. No changes needed.

Jan makes a motion to approve minutes.

Jim seconds.

Vote passes unanimously.

m/s/approved

2) Updates

Wrote a letter to the mitigation and enhancement fund at last meeting. Committee members present affirmed their personal support for projects that ACT had under review.

Bill Graves –

There is an ongoing project in Barnet focused on the preservation and reuse of a socially, culturally, and historically valuable building. It is a two story colonnaded academy building, with plans to reuse as post office, museum of river history, and for

public and municipal uses. \$1.7 million dollar project to improve building to hold municipal offices and be a multi-use building for other uses.

CRJC does not have the capacity currently to write grants, etc. But members will keep alert for possible funding sources. Possibly utilize Senator Leahy's office or Silvio Conte NWR for funding and other support.

### 3) Election of Chairperson

Discussion of candidates and possibilities for Chair. Election of a chairperson tabled until next meeting.

Discussion of meeting times. Subcommittee will transition back to quarterly meetings. Next meeting will take place in July.

Rick will write up a letter to those members/towns which have not attended meetings. Will send it to the Members first, then the select board/municipal government. No member from Dalton for the past 10 years.

### 4) Permit Reviews

Forbes Farm

Discussion of the permit and questions about the purpose of it. Last year laying pipes in field to inject liquid waste off of manure pit.

Discussion of the permit as creation of best management practices, operations, etc. Responsibilities may change with changing federal regulations.

A forward-looking document. Appears to be an attempt by a large business entity to bring their activities into compliance. LAC members remarked that they like to see best management plans and practices being developed.

Curious as to who drafted and designed this plan. Is the applicant on board?

#### **If we do respond:**

Any substantive changes should be reviewed by LAC and related groups.

Setting parameters is important.

LAC encourages the creation of best management practices

Rick and Nick will draft up a paragraph or two.

Littleton – Shana Lane

Pass out and review of Shana Lane Permit information. Discussion of parameters and content of permit. Review of design maps and blueprints. Discussion of difficulty in refusing use, and other management concerns.

Will write a letter with no comment unless the numbers don't work out.

Rick makes a motion to write letter

Bill seconds

Unanimous approval

m/s/approved

#### 5) Newbury Stakeholder Questionnaire

Hand out and review of Questionnaire. Someone should communicate with GMP to ensure that they are aware of Wells River Management Plan. Many people active in the area who would notify GMP of this plan. Rick will double check to ensure GMP is aware of Wells River Management Plan.

Discussion of Dam management and other local development concerns. Sediment and gravel pit concerns. Discussion of the lack of active use of the Management plans besides as occasional reference.

#### 6) Other Business

There is a new Cumberland Farms development. Will have underground gas tanks. Ammonoosuc LAC commented extensively on this aspect. No reason for Cumberland Farms to be exempt. Originally planned to have runoff and other effluents going into wetlands.

Ammonoosuc River land adjacent being developed. Situation of the river may get critical if development continues apace. Discussion of riverways and bank development. Environmental effects of development and constraints.

#### 7) Adjourn

Rick motions to adjourn

Ken Seconds

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

**Next Meeting:**

**July 19, 2018**

**Littleton Community Center**

**7:00PM**