CANOE RIVER AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – August 4, 2011

Minutes of the meeting held by the Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee on Thursday, August 4, 2011 beginning at 1:00 pm at the Easton Water Division Meeting Room, 417 Bay Road, South Easton, MA.

Members Present: Wayne P. Southworth, Easton; John Fresh, Easton; Jenn Carlino, Norton; Leonard Flynn, Mansfield; Leo Potter, Foxborough, Dave Masciarelli, Sharon; Frances Shirley, Norton; Jon Rowe, Norton; Ed Tartufo, Mansfield; Joan Sozio, Foxborough.

Guests: John Marsh, Easton Water Division Operations Manager; Kelley Freda, DCE Water Supply Protection; Karen Gallo, Principal Clerk, Easton Water Division.

1. Call to Order – Wayne Southworth called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

2. Review minutes of June 2, 2011 – Masciarelli/Shirley moved to accept the minutes of June 2, 2011. VOTED.

3. Open Space Map & Greenbelt Update – Nothing to report at this time.

4. CRAAC Educational Outreach Kiosk Discussion – Southworth: briefly discussed that CRAAC did not receive the grant; will meet with the EPA on August 31st for debriefing session.

5. Election of Officers – Frances Shirley moved to reelect Wayne Southworth as Chairman of CRAAC; motion seconded by Jon Rowe. VOTED; John Fresh moved to retain the remaining officers in their roles, motion seconded by Jenn Carlino –VOTED.

6. Dog Waste and Surface Water Quality – Kelley Freda of the Massachusetts Division of Conservation and Recreation presented an overview of the Division's efforts to educate people regarding animal waste and the importance of preventing it from entering the water supply. Utilizing a slideshow and other educational materials, Ms. Freda discussed the large amount of licensed dogs in the Wachusett Neighborhood and Watershed along with various outreach programs connected with this issue.

7. Discuss the Program for the CRAAC 25th Anniversary Celebration at the Sharon Community Center in 2012 - Southworth: a list of invitees to the CRAAC 20th Anniversary Celebration was passed among those present so information could be updated if necessary. A letter was sent to Congressman William Keating, inviting him to be the guest speaker at the Anniversary Celebration; no response has been received yet. A brief discussion followed regarding refreshments for the evening. Jennifer Carlino will provide photographs for display at the event. 8. Beaumont Pond Update – Flynn: a letter was sent by the Town of Mansfield to the Foxborough Conservation Commission regarding the Commission's Notice of Intent application for nuisance aquatic vegetation removal in Beaumont Pond. The pond drains directly into the Canoe River in Mansfield. Southworth: CRAAC will draft a letter to Bob Boette at the Foxborough Conservation Commission requesting pertinent information regarding the Notice of Intent application.

9. Dave Masciarelli moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Joan Sozio. VOTED. Wayne Southworth adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held in the Conference Room at the Sharon Community Center, 219 Massapoag Ave., Sharon, MA, on Thursday, September 1st at 1:00 pm.

NOTICE:

The Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for 1:00 PM on Thursday, September 1st at the Sharon Community Center has been CANCELLED.

Due to power outages caused by hurricane Irene, we were unable to post the meeting in all five CRAAC communities 48 hours in advance in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

We're sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.