CANOE RIVER AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TOWN CLERK MEETING MINUTES – June 7, 2012

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Minutes of the meeting held by the Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee on June 7, 2012, beginning at 1 PM in the Town of Easton Water Division, 417 Bay Road, South Easton, MA.

Members present: Wayne P. Southworth, Easton; Janice L. Fowler, Easton; Roger Hill, Foxborough; Robert Boette, Foxborough; Edward Tartufo, Mansfield; Jonathan Rowe; Norton; Jenn Carlino, Norton; Frances Shirley, Norton; David Masciarelli, Sharon.

Guests: David DeLorenzo, DEP – Boston; Adrienne Edwards, Easton GIS Specialist; Kelsey Quinlan, Easton; John Shannon, Mansfield resident.

- **1. Call to Order** Southworth called the meeting to order at 1 PM.
- **2. Review Minutes of May 3, 2012** It was noted there was a spelling error in the first line same to be corrected. Chairman Southworth requested a copy of Roger Hill's appointment letter for the file. Shirley/Rowe moved to accept the minutes of May 3, 2012. VOTED
- **3. Open Space Map & Greenbelt Update** Carlino noted they are working on a piece of the Suzanne Erikson property of 17 acres of back land; need to get money for an appraisal.
- 4. Discuss Program for CRAAC's 25th Anniversary Celebration at the Sharon Community Center on September 14, 2012 Speaker, David DeLorenzo, Invitations, Program, Dinner, Sponsor Recognition Southworth reviewed the information from Masciarelli on the caterer, Off the Vine; think we can get a choice which would include vegetarian; the package is reasonable; the issue would be to pick one or two meals for the buffet; do not know how many people to expect; the last celebration we had 50 or 60; think we will have 30 or better; these caterers have a 25 person minimum; received donations of \$1,000.00 from Plymouth County Water Works and \$50.00 from the Massachusetts Water Works; room is still available (will call and confirm the date); recently a wine tasting was held at this location will check into it.

Southworth introduced David DeLorenzo our speaker for the anniversary celebration. DeLorenzo gave a brief outline of his career as follows: started in Boston; then to regulation of water supply; noted wastewater is now becoming a regional issue and costly; tend to think in watersheds; think the future will be data management by computers; another focus is that I have work with big hazardous waste sites – now the enemy is us (the individuals).

Comments: wastewater has become an issue for all of the members here; in Easton we have been very involved with Brockton; Easton is embarking on a small wastewater treatment plant in North Easton for the first time; think each town is struggling with the issue; another thing to think about in wastewater is the immersion of medicines in our water supplies; will you address problems such as the septic system issue. Mr. DeLorenzo noted he will briefly cover the items mentioned above and any other suggestions can be emailed to him at David.DeLorenzo@state.ma.us.

Other items: Tartufo, Sozio and Southworth will do a review of the CRAAC time line; Adrienne Edwards to help with the invitation; Carlino and Edwards to pick out two photographs to use for the invitation and certificates; have gone over the list of invitees; most everything will be emailed to folks as well; need RSVPs a couple of weeks in advance.

- **5. Annual Election of Officers** After a short discussion Boette/Carlino moved to elect Wayne P. Southworth as Chairman, Edward Tartufo as Vice Chairman and Janice L. Fowler as clerk. VOTED
- **6. Vote To Suspend July Meeting** Shirley/Boette moved to suspend the July 2012 meeting. VOTED
- **7. CRAAC Facebook Page John Shannon** Southworth introduced Mr. Shannon. Shannon: resident of the Town of Mansfield; in graduate school; thought this committee might be interested in a Facebook page; made a presentation of a proposed format.

Discussion: can advertising be blocked on the side; Easton currently has one person responsible for their Facebook; proposed format showed minutes that were not approved – can only be posted once approved; could the Easton representative (Connor Read, Citizen/Business Advocate) come to our next meeting; could check with other organizations to see how they operate theirs; towns do not have staffing to maintain such a site; could the site be expanded to include poster contests, hazardous waste days, drug collection days, etc. from all the towns in the this Committee; cannot lose sight of our governmental being here; will place this item on the next agenda.

- **8.** The Current Regulations for Herbicide Applications in Massachusetts and How They Apply to Water Supplies Kathy Romero Southworth noted that Ms. Romero had an emergency and cannot be here but will be at the August 2, 2012 meeting.
- **9. Easton GIS Program Adrienne Edwards -** GIS maybe connected to all sorts of data; any kind of paper format, computer system, etc. you can overlay and get a sense of development; presented Eason GIS highlights 2007 Needs Assessment, 2007 GIS Parcel Data, 2008 GIS Project Launch, 2009 Zoning Map Adoption, 2009 CRAAC May/Flyover, 2010 North Easton Local Historic District Map, 2010 Fire Hydrants, 2010 School Floor Plan Maps, 2011 600 GPS Points Collected & Processed, 2012 Water System, 2012 Stormwater GPS-GIS; then reviewed present and future capabilities and possibilities.
- 10. Discuss Committee Goals Southworth: future idea would be to work with a sponsor with all the water departments in the five towns on water conservation like the Sharon representative which came from a grant regarding the Neponset watershed; look into Facebook and other grant opportunities; have someone come in to talk about the open meeting law (Masciarelli to check with Sharon Town Clerk/Boette to check with Town Counsel); putting next meeting on the agenda. (Boette noted on his town's agendas 'public comment' is posted; can listen but not vote.)
- **11. Adjourn** Boette/Shirley voted to adjourn. VOTED Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Next meeting will be in Sharon.