



TOWN OF NORTON

Water Bodies

(Committee)

MINUTES

Date: July 21, 2014 Time: 7pm

Location: 1st floor conference room, Town Hall

Members & Staff Present: Colleen Ryan, Mark Burgess, Bill Napolitano, SRPEDD, Brian Brady, David Lennon, Herb Ellison, Carol Zwicker

Members Not Present: Joe McFarlane, a member from Conservation.

The meeting was called to order at: 7pm

Minutes from the none Meeting were reviewed and Approved with adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

Guest: Bill Napolitano, SPREDD (Southeastern Planning and Regional Economic Development District)

Minutes from the previous meeting were not read or approved.

Bill Napolitano spoke with Committee on several topics:

- Grants
- Upcoming lake and pond management plan if approved by the Board of Selectman
- Partnering with other agencies and non-profit groups
- Creating priorities for the upcoming year and into the future- platform stage plan

Grants:

Bill provided information on the 604B grants which focus on water quality management and further assessment for other grants. He also talked about the 319 grants which fund actual project action and focus on 'brick and mortar' projects or physical fixes such as dams. He provided website links for applications and forms. We should think about a grant for a Stewardship Program which focuses on water quality and monitoring. These can be initiated by local volunteers and groups the Committee partners with. Bill suggested we think of the process accordingly:

- Get the lake and pond management plan RFP approved and work closely with the consultant
- Apply for a 604B grant
- Apply for a 319 grant

RFP- Lake and pond management plan:

Bill highly recommended that the Water Bodies Committee be actively participating with the consultant once selected. We need to make sure we are represented on the Steering Committee. We should also inform the consultant that we expect to apply for different grants and they can assist us with that.

Partnering:

Bill mentioned several groups that are invested in protecting lakes and ponds and that we should make contact with them and ask them to partner with us. They are:

Consultant selected to create the lake and pond management plan

Taunton River Watershed

Canoe River Aquifer

COLAP

SPREDD

recently approved Regional Storm Water Grant which Norton is a part of

Priorities:

As a Committee we need to identify our priorities. The Committee talked about Lake Winnecunnet but we need to think this through and be clear. Bill reminded us that we need to have actions that are doable but also future oriented

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Aquatic Control and Lycot will be collecting

Nutrient budget not a need for herbicides.

Look for volunteers to sample, and get water quality samples by the Town to try and lower cost.

Brian Brady said old Conservation Agent suggested take the worst small area to treat to use as a blueprint to go forward.

Try to save money for permitting. Mussel study is required with Clipper, it is costly.

Support Selectmen. Cost saving should help.

Look for old Scout projects for help.

Kiosks are being used for communication by other persons.

Signage at Juniper not done and there are no barrels, garbage should be picked up.

5-7 minute video with Norton Media to run on cable, WBC should get Bob Kimball to say something.

Video name: Death of Winnecunnet.

Dave to send pictures to Mark for Facebook. Colleen will re-do press release, and so short excerpts for the paper and Facebook, and do a handout for the Library.

Next Meeting 8/18/ 2014

Please forward any ideas for the Agenda to Dave.

Colleen Ryan motion to adjourn. Brian Brady second motion

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm. , until the next meeting on Monday, ,August 18, 2014____ at
7pm_____ at the Town Hall_____.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Approved by Committee on: _____
(Date)

Signatures:

(Name & Title)

Chairman, _____
(committee)