CANOE RIVER AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – November 3, 2011

Minutes of the meeting held by the Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee on Thursday, November 3, 2011 beginning at 1 PM at the Norton Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room, 70 East Main Street, Norton, MA.

Members present: Wayne P. Southworth, Easton; Janice Fowler, Easton; Kevin O'Donnell, Mansfield; Ed Tartufo, Mansfield; Bob Boette, Foxborough; Frances Shirley, Norton; Leo Potter, Foxborough; Jennifer Carlino, Norton.

Guest: Adrienne Edwards, Easton GIS Specialist.

- **1. Call to Order** Southworth called the meeting to order at 1 PM.
- **2. Review Minutes of October 6, 2011** Shirley/Potter moved to approved the minutes of October 6, 2011. VOTED
- 3. Open Space Map & Greenbelt Update Nothing new or concrete at this time.
- 4. CRAAC Educational Outreach Kiosk Discussion Highlights of discussion: reviewed lost of grant last month; looking forward to applying the next time; might want to think about if we were to pursue a website kiosk, what type of control should be on it; most effective kiosk type is web based which can be changed; this trend is out there; the one part we have to educate ourselves on is the measurable results aspect requirement of a grant; could schools view the website (yes, if it is online); need to keep this on the agenda; think next grant round will be in May or June; noted a passport idea (similar to the one used for National Parks) was mentioned for another project, perhaps this could be worked into a measurable result.
- **5. Annual Canoe River Aquifer Awareness Day 2012** Southworth: last year we partnered with the Mansfield Water Department, which was fairly well attended; this coming year will be the 125th anniversary of the Water Works, perhaps we could partner with them as well; the date is April 28th, 2012.

Discussion: that would probably give us more exposure.

- **6. CRAAC Member Photos** Southworth: need to update photographs on the website; will place same on the January, 2012 meeting which is in Easton; suggestion was made to put Adrienne Edwards on site as a specialist; each member should check/update their biography.
- 7. Proposed AT&T Cell Tower Within 400 Feet of Sharon's Well #6 no one is here from Sharon to report; same resulted from a phone call of a Sharon resident.

- 8. Discuss the Program for CRAAC 25th Anniversary Celebration at the Sharon Community Center in on September 14, 2012 As to speaker, have made some contact with a possible candidate but have not received an answer yet; suggestion was to wait another month for an answer; would like a speaker who is involved in our cause, perhaps someone in education (Wheaton or Stonehill College) who specialize in this field; do not have any commitment on donations to host event; received a brochure from Roche Bros. which covers a lighter fare; as the event gets closer, will go over a list of invitees.
- **9. Beaumont Pond Update** Consensus was it is a great idea to lower the pond; applicants have been persuaded to not use chemicals; purpose is to lower the pond so plant life will die on the bank; this is the least intrusive method.

Tartufo/Shirley moved to send a communication indicating the CRAAC supports the proposed drawdown as an acceptable method. VOTED.

10. Adjourned - 1:30 PM

Next meeting will be December 1, 2011 in Mansfield.