CANOE RIVER AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE DEFINE MEETING MINUTES – October 6, 2016

Minutes of the meeting held by the Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee on October 6, 2016 beginning at 1 PM at the Norton Selectmen's Office, 70 Main Street, Norton, MA.

Members present: Wayne P. Southworth, Easton; Janice L. Fowler, Easton; John Fresh, Jr., Easton; Robert Boette, Foxborough; Joan Sozio, Foxborough; Aaron Roth, Mansfield; Linda Kollett, Norton, Frances Shirley, Norton.

Guests: Bernie Marshall, Norton Water Superintendent; Peters J. Wiggins, Peter Channel; Bill Napolitano, SRPEDD; Jess Aptowitz, Chairman Mansfield Board of Selectmen and member of Senator Timilty's Office.

- 1. Call to Order Southworth called the meeting to order.
- **2. Introduction of New Member** Aaron Roth, Mansfield Representative, has a biology background. Members introduced themselves.
- **3. Review Minutes of August 4, 2016** Boette/Shirley moved to accept the minutes of August 4, 2016 with minor changes. VOTED as amended. (Moved Michael Schmidt to "Others Present")
- **4. Bernie Marshall, Norton Water Superintendent Update on Norton's Water Supply** spoke about the drought conditions; have been fortunate; educating the public is necessary; do not need green lawns; in the spring are proactive in maintaining the wells; with the drought conditions have been drawing from a different aquifer water quality has changed (need to get rid of brown and gold colored water); DEP has asked us to flush our systems twice a year; have a bylaw that prevents irrigation; people in town are conserving; state regulations is under 65 gallons Norton draws 45 gallons per person.

Comments: your supply is adequate/you have a quality problem (yes; also we find that commercial uses do not use a lot of water); any conditions on low flush toilets/shower heads (there is nothing in the bylaws).

- **5. ACEC Resource Management Plan with Wheaton College Intern, Michael Schmidt** Southworth: thought the intern would be here; have no information to date; will put on next agenda.
- **6. Open Space Map and Greenbelt Update** Southworth: for the most part, there is not much left; it is a standing agenda item.
- **7. Logo Redesign John Shannon –** Southworth noted that John could not be with us today; the goal was to reach out to some businesses to see if he could get some gift certificates; then approach the school to prompt a logo resign contest.
- 8. Plan for 2017 30th Anniversary Celebration Southworth: think we have honed in on the location being the Chateau in Norton; perhaps in April or May of 2017; would like the

committee to think about a keynote speaker; think we should thank government representatives that have helped us over the years; asked John Fresh to look into a donation (Fresh: brought it up to the Plymouth County Water Association and they offered \$1,000.00; they would like Wayne to come to a meeting); should we consider an afternoon event; afternoon hours will give us more options; it is possible we might have a better turn out.

- **9. Committee Introduction Letter -** Southworth thanked Carlino and Fowler for their work; noted the Email list has been updated.
- 10. Discuss Committee Goals Fowler suggested that a similar letter (as in Item 9) be sent out periodically; Southworth noted we still have one opening in Mansfield.
- 11. Next Meeting in Mansfield on December 1, 2016. (Roth to check with Town Clerk.)
- **12. Public Comment –** Bill Napolitano: last spring we came to speak to this group about the Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN); one of the things we wanted is to start is a training program; as a result of this, a grant has been put together, a curriculum developed; the goal was to put together 4 90 minute training programs; would like to offer this to you first and it would start next year. Same to be put on December 2016 agenda.
- 14. Adjourn Boette/Shirley moved to adjourn. VOTED. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.



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Thursday, December 1, 2016

Mansfield Town Offices, MBC Meeting Room, 6 Park Row, Mansfield, MA

1:00 pm

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Review Minutes of October 6, 2016
- 3. Kurt Gaffney, Mansfield Water Operations Manager-Update on Mansfield's Water Supply
- 4. The Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN)
- 5. Open Space Map and Greenbelt Update
- 6. ACEC State Approved Resource Management Plan
- 7. Plan for 2017 30th Anniversary Celebration Plymouth County Water Work Association Donation Acceptance
- 8. Logo Redesign John Shannon
- 9. Discuss Committee Goals
- 10. Next Meeting in Easton
- 11. Public Comment
- 12. Adjourn



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Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee

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