

HWRC meeting minutes of 2020-02-23

Meeting location: Town Hall

Present: J.McHale, K.Richards, P.Carideo, D. Treat, B. Schmitz

Absent: C. Cote

Minutes taken by J. McHale

7:00 pm Call to Order by K. Richards

- Alternates D. Treat and B. Schmitz are voting members for this meeting.
- Discussion of Rules & Procedures
 - Jim will send out a document for all to review
 - Discussion of requesting:
 - The current alternates to be full committee members in April (need to decide who gets the 1 year term left vacant by the former chair), and the other gets a three year term
 - Selectmen to add an announcement seeking alternates for HWRC
- Discussion of points of contact and email address use - we are working on getting an email address for all HWRC matters
 - Discussion of privileged communications
 - Group felt all communications should be shared, an exception being if the chair had legal correspondence which by its nature should not be shared; However most legal involvement e.g., grant reviews, should be shared.
- Discussion of Grants
 - Grant administration
 - Grant approval by G&C (Governor and councilors)
- Discussion of Angle Pond well field approval by DES
 - Our response, if any
 - Three monitor wells - adequacy?
 - Encourage those in "zone of influence" to get water tests, including arsenic and PFOAs
 - Work with HWA to spread the word, including to other town pages
 - file review topics

- Discussion of Budget
- Review of goals from last year and what we can/should look to accomplish this year
 - Last year's goals:
 1. Better Understand Hampstead's current water use and demands, and expected future demand
 2. Represent and advocate for the Town of Hampstead related to proposed permitting of large new water supply wells, and permit modifications for existing large water supply wells
 3. Understand water franchise(s) water demands, distribution, and service network(s)
 4. Identify NH DES regulations, ordinances, programs, and guidance that have been successfully adopted by other municipalities, which may be helpful in managing Hampstead's water resources. Assess adoption of some form of the NH DES Model Groundwater Protection Ordinance.
- Open items that the previous chair was working on:
 - Legislative initiatives
 - Community outreach
 - HAWC relationship
- Other items:
 - Mapping discussion
 - PUC data mining
- Committee will review the grant data and will look at how to break down the work required.

Motion: at 8:31 pm motion to adjourn by P. Carideo, seconded by D. Treat, Unanimous.