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UMRLAC, PO Box 3019, Boscawen, NH 03303

UMRLAC Meeting Minutes for July 9, 2012
Northfield Town Hall

Members present: Steve Landry (Boscawen), Gary Lynn (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Bill Dawson (Northfield), Anne Emerson (Canterbury), and Harry Anderson (Northfield),

Members absent: Michele Tremblay (Boscawen), Rick Chormann (Concord), Robert Sharon (Franklin), Donna Liolis (Franklin), Tucker Noack (Franklin), Nancy Roy (Canterbury), Nita Tomaszewski (Franklin) and David Kirkpatrick (Bow)

Others Present: Matt Monahan and Vanessa Goold (both CNHRPC)

The Vice chair of UMRLAC, Steve Landry, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. UMRLAC voted to accept the consent agenda except the minutes which were tabled until the next meeting. The next meeting will be in Boscawen on August 13, 2012.

Treasurer's Report

Krista noted that \$1000 was transferred from savings to checking to pay bills. Yellahoose was paid for their website maintenance and Donna was reimbursed \$199.99 for focus group food (up to \$250 approved last meeting for food). Steve gave Adopt-a-River Site sponsors and municipal invoices to Krista. Steve asked for approval of funds for the purchase of Upper Merrimack River Monitoring Program (UMMP) equipment. He needs to purchase small sledgehammers (about six) and denatured alcohol (six cans). UMRLAC approved up to \$200 for UMMP equipment purchases. The Treasurer's report was approved and placed on file.

Membership

Tucker was re-nominated for UMRLAC membership and Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) will look for Concord UMRLAC representatives.

River Runners Outing

UMRLACers will host the River Runners outing on July 14, 2012. Up to \$200 was approved by UMRLAC to purchase refreshments. Bring your canoe and kayaks and put in at the Contoocook River. The launch time will be sometime between 11:45 and 12:45. People interested in attending should contact Beth Flagler, the organizer of the event.

Mid-term Reviews

Steve discussed completion of the mid-term review of the river management plan. He indicated that the reviewers should evaluate the need for new target dates, deletion or addition of items and whether the objective is realistic or not. The next meeting will cover the review in more depth.

CNHRPC

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission would like to set up a meeting with each of the Planning Boards of the UMLAC communities. The agenda contains potential dates. They would like to present the findings of their land use protection study to the planning boards. The presentations will take about one hour and it would make sense to invite the conservation commissions. Prior to the meetings, UMLAC members should review the fact sheets provided by CNHRPC. Steve will send out an email reminder UMLAC members to set up the meetings with the Planning Boards.

There is another round of 604b grants coming up. The deadline for letters of interest is July 27. CNHRPC will look over the UMLAC management plan and suggest some additional projects that could be funded via this type of grant. Steve will send out an email that asks UMLAC members to look over the river management plan and forward grant opportunity ideas by next Monday.

Project Proposals and Permits

The Canterbury Shaker Village dam repair project is not in the UMLAC corridor. UMLAC will send a note that we have no comments on their plans and that this important repair of a historic structure should proceed. Grappone Toyota of Bow has proposed construction of a hand carried boat dock on the Turkey River. UMLAC will comment that the project should be used to improve the aesthetics of the current riprap slope, possibly by some re-vegetation of the existing slope. PSNH submitted a project for the installation of grounding cables around the Garvin Falls substation. About 1,300 sq ft in temporary wetland impact will occur. The project is to improve the substation's safety. UMLAC will consider suggesting that a spill response kit should be available in case the contractor's equipment has a release. PSNH submitted plans for a power line pole removal project. They are abandoning the 3166 line. Poles will be removed along 11 miles of power line in New Hampton, Hill, and Franklin. This project is out of the UMLAC corridor and PRLAC will be the lead commenter. UMLAC will send PSNH a note thanking them for their submission. PSNH also has prepared a dam relicensing pre-application package for the Eastman Falls dam on the Pemigewasset. This dam is in the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee's corridor. There is a 120-day period to decide on being an intervener in the process. Gary will look over the package and it will be taken up during the next meeting.

Miscellaneous

- 1) Anne is the website reviewer for May. Krista reported finding a broken link and suggested that the bacteria data needs to be updated (only data up to 2009 is on the website). Krista emailed her website findings to Michele.
- 2) Steve noted that the 303d impaired surface water listing comment period ends the day after the meeting. The list is prepared every two years.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by Gary Lynn