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UMRLAC, PO Box 3019, Boscawen, NH 03303

UMRLAC Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2015 Bow Municipal Building

Members present: Steve Landry (Boscawen), Gary Lynn (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Bill Dawson (Northfield), Donna Liolis (Franklin), Gary Lemay (Concord), Rick Chormann (Concord), Harry Anderson (Northfield), Wayne Ives (Franklin), Nancy Roy (Canterbury), and Anne Emerson (Canterbury)

Others Present: Mr. Liolis, Craig Tufts (CNHRPC) and Adrienne Hutchinson (Canterbury)

Members absent: Michele Tremblay (Boscawen), Alan Larder (Franklin), Madeline Mineau (Concord), and Nita Tomaszewski (Franklin)

The Vice Chair of UMRAC, Steve Landry, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. UMRAC voted to accept the consent agenda. The next meeting will be **June 8, 2015 in Canterbury.**

Membership

Adrienne Hutchinson works at the Canterbury transfer station and attended the meeting to help her decide on whether to join UMRAC. Anne Dowling from Canterbury is also considering membership. Harry will be leaving UMRAC in the near future. Bill identified two potential new UMRAC members, Glen Brown and Glenn Smith. He will continue to discuss membership with these individuals. Gary and Krista's re-nominations are in the works.

Establishment of a 501(c)(3)

The 501(c)(3) nonprofit exploratory committee report will be discussed at the June meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The April Treasurer's report was reviewed and UMLAC voted to accept the report and put it on file. Michele called Nelson Analytical about continuing Aquarian's Adopt-a-River-Site sponsorship, post-merger with his company. Michele indicated that the discussions are ongoing. Bill will be reimbursed \$55 for his registration for the Source Water Protection Conference. He provided a one-page write-up on the conference at the meeting and will email his summary to Michele. Franklin Savings Bank's community involvement brochure highlights their Adopt-a-River-Site sponsorship and site sampling work with UMMP and UMRAC. Friends of the Northern Rail Trail sent UMRAC a request for funds for trail maintenance. UMRAC voted to send them \$50.

CNHRPC Project

UMRLAC members reviewed their town's impervious surface maps with Craig Tufts. He was interested in what portion of the towns would be best suited to a more detailed analysis, such as areas that might in the future be subject to MS-4 municipal stormwater rules. A number of town representatives inquired about proper handling of synthetic cap closed landfills. The landfills

appear in aerial photos as a pervious, grassy field but in actuality, water cannot infiltrate through the cap. Craig will follow up on proper handling of the landfills.

Upper Merrimack River Monitoring Program (UMMP)

Steve indicated that it is no longer practical for Steve and Michele to store the UMMP gear. He recommended that the gear be put into a locked storage unit. The cost of a 5 x 5 feet storage unit at Boscawen mini-storage would only be \$30/month (\$330 for the year with up-front payment discount) and would be convenient for Steve and Michele to pick up the equipment on the way to bug nights. Shelving would also be necessary to help organize the unit. UMRAC voted to approve up to \$600 for UMMP equipment storage. Steve suggested that the rental should be added to next year's annual budget.

The UMMP related QA/QC quotes were discussed. After additional discussion with the vendors, the quotes fell into a tighter range. The three quotes that Steve indicated the most interest in ranged from \$2,658.79 to \$3,926.5. Steve will do some additional work to make sure that the bids are for comparable levels of services and will get the vials ready to send to the selected vendor for the QA/QC check on aquatic insect identification. All members should be ready to vote on the vendor selection at the next meeting.

There is one more bug night scheduled for the Wednesday following this May's UMRAC meeting. Rock baskets will be put into the river at the end of June and the Franklin wastewater treatment facility has once again agreed to analyze our *E. coli* samples for six events. Anne Emerson has generously volunteered to be our E coli sample courier again and will continue to collect E coli samples from site #6. Steve will unveil the bacteria sampling dates at the next meeting. Steve indicated that the annual paddling event will need to be headed up by another member. Krista will look into organizing the event.

Project Proposals, Permits, and Complaints

The City of Concord's Storrs Street alteration of terrain (AOT) permit application was approved by DES. The Sewells Falls Bridge amended AOT was approved by DES. DES sent a letter to Amoskeag Realty requesting additional information on their pond removal and paving project. There were no new proposals this month.

Miscellaneous

Wayne completed his website review and forwarded his comments to Michele. Gary Lemay will be the May website reviewer. The Merrimack River Watershed Council has an adopt-a-mile program. This program has confused at least one adopt-a-site sponsor (i.e., Franklin Savings Bank) because of the similarity of the program name.

Summary of Assignments:

Steve	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Steve will review the quotes for UMMP QA/QC assistance for consistency.- Steve will coordinate revisions to UMLAC's permit review guidelines and discuss them at the June meeting.
Gary Lemay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Gary will review the website.
Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Review the 501(c)(3) nonprofit exploratory committee report and the UMMP quotes for the June meeting.
Gary Lynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Gary will prepare the April meeting minutes.
Rick	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Rick will follow up on Wild and Scenic River designation support in Concord.
Krista	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Krista will prepare the monthly Treasurer's report.- Krista will consider organizing the summer paddling event.

Minutes submitted by Gary Lynn, UMLAC Secretary