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UMRLAC Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2019
Bessie Rowell Community Center, Franklin NH

Members present: Michele Tremblay (At Large), Steve Landry (At Large), Gary Lynn (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Wayne Ives (Franklin), Donna Liolis (Franklin), Adrienne Hutchinson (Canterbury), Gary Lemay (Concord), Anne Dowling (Canterbury), Nita Tomaszewski (At Large), Mary Lee (Northfield), and Thomas Gilmore (Boscawen).

Members absent: Jeffrey Perkins (Franklin), Mike Hansen (Bow), Rick Chormann (Concord), and Ashley Warner (Northfield).

Others present: Kristi Liolis and David Rauseo (Exit 17 project)

The Chair of UMRLAC, Michele Tremblay, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. UMRLAC voted to accept the consent agenda. The next meeting will be **June 10, 2019 in Boscawen.**

Minutes

The April meeting minutes were approved.

Membership

Mary Lee, Tom, Anne, and Mike were reappointed for three-year terms (until 2022). Michele will continue to follow up with Ashley on her financial disclosure form. The fine for non-compliance with financial disclosure was reduced to \$50 in this session's bill. HB 1510 passed changing the LAC appointment authority to the Rivers Management Advisory Committee. This change will take effect as soon as HB 1510 is enrolled. HB 1510 changes will exempt LAC members from the financial disclosure form requirement.

Treasurer's Report and Financial Issues

The Treasurer's report for April was approved and placed on file. Krista paid the UMWA insurance premium.

CNHRPC Brownfields Advisory Committee (Mike Hansen)

No change since the last meeting.

FERC Licensing

Gary Lemay provided the following FERC licensing update:

- 1) The Lakeport dam project is in the study phase. Studies will begin this summer.
- 2) The Mine Falls hydro plant is out of operation (turbine blades broke). Permitting activities are delayed until the hydro operations are repaired.
- 3) Gary is tracking the three Contoocook dam relicensing applications. Relicensing efforts on the Contoocook dams should be initiated in November of this year.

Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP)

The last Bug Night is May 15th. The penultimate Bug Night featured bug charades, which was a big hit. Rhithron finished the ID of biomonitoring samples and the digital library update. Steve and Michele will work on pulling together the 2019 bacteria sampling program. The Franklin wastewater treatment facility has agreed to perform the E. coli analyses again. Rock baskets will be deployed in June for the 2019 biomonitoring season.

UMWA Update

The CNHRPC scope of services are in the process of being finalized for the Turkey River Restoration Plan project. The NH Geological Survey has agreed to do a no cost survey of stream crossings that haven't previously been surveyed.

Guest Speakers

Michele followed up with John McGee (NH Fish and Game) about the Nash Stream restoration presentation. He has agreed to present at the June meeting. Tom will find out whether we can use the facility's projector and screen for his presentation. Mary Ann Tilton was too busy to present at our next meeting; Michele will continue to attempt to schedule her presentation.

Projects and Comment Periods

UMRLAC received a response from Gove Environmental to our wetlands permit application comments for Interchange Development LLC's I-93 Exit 17 project. David Rauseo, the owner of the property, came to our meeting to answer questions about the project. After reviewing the response and David's project summary information, UMLAC's remaining unanswered question was the depiction of the flood plain for Burnham Brook. The response discussed the flood elevation for the Merrimack River, not Burnham Brook. David indicated that he would look into this and get back to us. NH DES discovered some additional potential wetlands areas at the property (recent rains may have caused new areas to look like wetlands). The company will perform additional delineation work to address the NH DES finding.

A shoreland permit was issued for the Christopher Evans property (13 Ferry Rd. in Bow) without UMLAC being provided a chance to comment. UMLAC will send a letter to NH DES to understand/correct this issue.

NH DOT provided notice of two upcoming bridge repair projects (Route 4 and Commercial Street). The impacts will be limited to the right of way and the projects are for the replacement of anodes that are used to help prevent corrosion. NH DOT requested that UMLAC advise them of any concerns.

Miscellaneous

Wayne prepared a revision to the bylaws. The by-law change will be voted on at the next meeting. The wetlands rules will be going before the Joint Legislative Committee on Rule Making (JLCAR). UMLAC will need to develop streamlined generic responses to adapt to the reduced response timelines. To help with this effort, Gary Lemay will develop generic letters for shoreland, AOT, and wetland permit applications. Gary Lynn will research whether the AST/UST permit applications will also have reduced response timeframes.

Summary of Assignments:

Michele	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prepare June agenda.- Follow up on Ashley Warner's financial disclosure form.- Coordinate with Mary Ann Tilton on a wetlands rules presentation.
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Steve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prepare comments on Exit 17 major wetlands permit application. - Coordinate with John McGee for the June presentation. - Schedule bacteria monitoring and rock basket deployment.
Mike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to track Brownfields Advisory Committee.
Tom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Find out whether UMLAC can use the projector and screen at our June meeting.
Gary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prepare minutes. - Research UST/AST permit application comment deadlines.
Gary Lemay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to track FERC licensing activities. - Draft generic response letters for AOT, shorelands and wetlands permit applications.
Krista	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prepare the monthly Treasurer's report.

Minutes submitted by Gary Lynn.