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UMRLAC Meeting Minutes for July 10, 2017
Northfield Town Hall, Northfield NH

Members present: Michele Tremblay (Boscawen), Steve Landry (Boscawen), Gary Lynn (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Donna Liolis (Franklin), Adrienne Hutchinson (Canterbury), Bill Dawson (Northfield), Gary Lemay (Concord), Nita Tomaszewski (Franklin), Mike Hansen (Bow), Wayne Ives (Franklin), and Thomas Gilmore (Boscawen).

Members absent: Rick Chormann (Concord), Anne Dowling (Canterbury), Glenn Brown (Franklin), and Alan Larter (Franklin).

Others present: Christy Liolis

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 **August 14, 2017 in Boscawen.**

Membership

Alan Larter's term expires in August. Nita and Rick Chormann are in holdover status while their renewals are processed. All other members are current with their appointment terms.

Treasurer's Report

There was no Treasurer's report for June because Krista just received the bank statement. Krista was approved for an expenditure of \$7.23 for the purchase of a replacement file box. UMRLAC also decided to provide the NH Rivers Council with our \$600 annual support payment.

Guest Speaker

Ideas for future guest speakers were discussed. Kevin Lucey of NHDES could come to discuss fish passage issues. Roy Creeley, Lakes Region Environmental, has been invited to our October meeting to discuss underground storage tank projects.

CNHRPC Brownfields Advisory Committee (Mike Hansen)

The Brownfields Advisory Committee met on June 22. The CNHRPC grant is currently being used to address Boscawen's Allied Leather Tannery, the Pittsfield town garage, a Milton site and a Hillsborough Mill. CNHRPC is looking for additional sites.

Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP)

Steve provided a summary of UMMP activities. All of the rock baskets (sampling devices) were successfully deployed. Habitat assessment sheets were completed on all 16 sites. The rock baskets will be retrieved on August 16. It was gratifying that several sites were handled by their Adopt-a-River Site sponsors (Aries Engineering, Franklin Wastewater Treatment Plant, Elektrisola). Additional rebar, alcohol, sledgehammers and clipboards will have to be purchased for next year. Bacteria sampling was completed at all sites on the first two dates. The results were all very low; possibly due to the high rainfall volumes earlier in the year.

Projects

Gary Lemay discussed the Eastman Falls dam license report submission schedule and shared summary sheets summarizing the deadlines. There are a number of key reports that are required such as reports on eel passage, invasive species, etc. Gary Lemay will look over the reports and will try to obtain drafts of the reports prior to finalization, if possible. He will also send out a link to the Eastman Falls license. Gary indicated that there are a number of additional relicensing projects coming up that may be of interest. He indicated that the Mad River dam in Campton, for example, could have eel passage issues, has a long bypass reach lacking flow and may have difficulty operating in a "run of river" mode due to fixed speed turbines. The Lowell, MA dam is a major impediment to fish passage and will be licensed soon. The Lakeport dam on the Winnepesaukee River, Kelly's Falls in Goffstown and the Penacook lower falls dam relicensings will also be coming up.

A tank top sump replacement permit for the Cumberland Farms gas station on South Main Street (Concord/Bow town line) was reviewed. UMLAC will ask to have information on erosion control measure added to the permit application. Watts applied for renewal of their hazardous waste evaporator permit. This permit allows them to reduce the volume of hazardous waste that has to be disposed of. There are some air emissions related to the evaporator but the DES Air Resources Division modeled the emissions versus the air toxics emissions program criteria. UMLAC did not have comments on the Watts permit renewal.

Miscellaneous

Krista reserved the Baker Free Library in Bow for July 17th for the River Runners training. Light refreshments will be provided (cookies and drinks). Krista and Steve will purchase the refreshments. Stephanie Alexander reported to UMLAC a boat that violated the 6 mph no wake standard for boats traveling on the Merrimack River. UMLAC will forward her concern on to the proper agency.

Summary of Assignments:

Michele	- Prepare August agenda. - Set up the River Runners co-hosted event.
Steve	- River Runners event refreshments. - Coordination of rock basket retrievals and bacteria sampling.
Gary Lemay	- Post link to Eastman Fall license.
Gary	- Prepare minutes.
Krista	- Prepare the monthly Treasurer's report - River runner event refreshments.

Minutes submitted by Gary Lynn.