

Oyster River Local Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting of December 10, 2012

Members Present: Eric Fiegenbaum, John Wallace, Jim Hornbeck, Tom Falk, Dave Shay, Bob Ekert, Steve Burns, Jim Colbert

Approval of Previous Minutes: Previous meeting minutes for the October 8, 2012 meeting are approved. The November 12, 2012 meeting was canceled due to the nitrogen issues mini-series and the date coinciding with the Veterans Day holiday. A public notice was posted on the ORLAC website.

New Business:

- Eric F. introduced new ORLAC members Steve Burns and Jim Colbert, both representing Durham.
- Eric F. provided status on recent projects concerning LAC: Emerald Acres culvert replacement project in Barrington has possible spring construction start; Durham student housing project (Peak Campus Development, LLC) is outside OR corridor, therefore LAC not required to comment; Madbury subdivision project (Chuck Goss) approved by NHDES. Eric F. notes that LAC missed NHDES' short time window for comment; Spruce Hole well project in Durham. NHDES has not yet asked LAC for comment. Discussed whether or not to proactively comment on project. Decided to follow the issue and wait for a possible opportunity to comment.
- Discussed changing the monthly meeting location for 2013. LAC voted to continue holding meetings at Madbury Town Hall.
- Eric F. indicated that the ORLAC 2012 Annual Report will be distributed to member towns and posted on the ORLAC website.
- LAC discussed Great Bay nitrogen issues mini-series held in November. Eric F. noted that the average attendance per talk was 20 people, and that the public response was very positive. LAC decided that the issue of nitrogen should be addressed in the OR Corridor Management Plan.
- Eric F. indicated that a Durham-UNH Integrated Permit Stakeholder Workshop will be held January 24, 2013.
- Eric F. stated that the Strafford Regional Planning Commission grant proposal to fund the OR Corridor Management Plan had been submitted to NHDES and with a decision forthcoming in a couple weeks.
- John W. reviewed an issue at the Barrington Superfund site where TCE has contaminated ground water there. Recently drinking water wells in a nearby subdivision have been showing TCE. Pointed out that the OR is down gradient of the subdivision and eventually could be impacted by the contaminant plume. Discussion ensued as to what LAC should do. Decided LAC will gather more information and closely watch the issue for an opportunity to comment. Eric F. will send a letter of inquiry to NHDES requesting additional information.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:50PM
- **Next Meeting:** January 14, 2013

Submitted By _____

David Shay