

Ammonoosuc River Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Meeting Approved Minutes
Haverhill, Bath, Landaff, Lisbon, Littleton, Bethlehem, Carroll, Unincorporated Places
Wednesday, May 5, 2010

Members in Attendance: Bill Harris (Haverhill), Rick Walling (Bath), Steve Jesseman (Lisbon), Charlie Ryan, Connie McDade (Littleton), Marilyn Johnson, Karen Pearson (Bethlehem), Leslie Bergum, Joan Karpf (Carroll), Mike Waddell (Gorham)

Nominated Candidates in Attendance: Linda Dowling (Carroll)

Members Absent: Michael King (Haverhill), Errol Peters (Landaff), Jessica Willis (Littleton), John Scarinza (Jefferson)

Members of Public in Attendance: Bill Dowling (Carroll)

Guests in Attendance: Dr. John Field of Field Geology Services, Maine; Rebecca Brown, Executive Director of Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust (ACT); Dave Govatski, James Seidel, and Rufus Perkins, Board Members of the Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust; and Tara Bamford, Planning Director for the North Country Council (NCC)

Guest Presentation

1. Chairman Charlie Ryan opened the meeting at 4:30 p.m. at North Country Council. Dr. John Field brought thirteen 8½x11 fluvial erosion hazard maps and a large topographic map of the Ammonoosuc River to the meeting. He described the hazard zone on each side of the river to be 6 to 8 times the channel width with subtle variations. Where the river flows close to the valley wall, the width of the hazard zone increased on the other side of the river. Dr. Field explained fluvial erosion hazard maps do not have an associated numbering system, which differs from the FEMA 100-Year Flood Maps that make use of a definitive quantitative number system. He will get back to us with the final mapping and then dates can be set up for Dr. Field to meet with town boards and other interested parties.
2. Tara Bamford, Planning Director of NCC, updated the members on the amended syntax of #11, 12, and 13 on the List of Management Plan Goals. Members approved the changes made. Tara discussed setting up a proposed lecture series. Members expressed support for doing the public outreach program. Details to be forthcoming.

Review and Approval of April Minutes

Leslie recommended revisions to the April minutes as follows: addition of *Members of Public in Attendance: Bill Dowling (Carroll)* and add words *in Attendance* to the Guests heading so as to read *Guests in Attendance*; to change sentence 2 and 3 under New Business #1 to read *Volunteers are especially needed on the Wild Ammonoosuc River May 6. Leslie is helping April 30th on the Upper Ammonoosuc and on May 3rd. Presence of LAC member(s) to help with the Lower Ammonoosuc River on May 1st would be good public relations.* Under New Business #3, *change sentence about Molly Fuller*; she was not present at the Open House; *delete the sentence about the loggers paying the timber tax*; and change the second to last sentence from time period to comment to read *Comment period for scoping portion of the project.* Linda Dowling made correction to Old Business item #1 to change words from property owner to *Town of Carroll*. Connie suggested replacement sentence about Molly Fuller to read *Molly Fuller, WMNF District Ranger for the Pemi District, has to approve the proposal.* Discussion followed about

time spent in review and approval of the minutes with members concurring that detailed minutes are subject to interpretation of what has been said. The secretary was asked to summarize only key points in future minutes and otherwise not include who said what, except when motions are made. Steve made the motion to approve the April minutes as amended, seconded by Mike Waddell. Passed.

Treasurer's Report (None)

Correspondence and Announcements

1. The DES has received Linda Dowling's nomination papers. Announcement of her appointment is expected shortly.
2. Steve Jesseman, Owner Operator of the KOA Campground in Lisbon presented his *project proposal to install a 4" sewer line from two existing cabins in the campground to an existing septic system*. He has obtained most of the required permits. After discussion of the project, Marilyn made the motion to approve the proposed project, seconded by Karen. Passed by unanimous vote. Charlie will send a letter of support.

Incoming Applications

1. Charlie reported he received a DES Dredge and Fill Application for the new addition to Littleton High School. When Vocational Tech addition was added on to the original structure in the past, storm water was diverted from one end of building to other. The rock swale is now a wetland. Plan is to eliminate the wet area by filling in the ditch.
2. Permit was received for Emergency Authorization for repair to eroded riverbank on Abbott Road in Bath.

Old Business (None)

New Business

1. Reminder VRAP Workshop on 5/11 @ 4-6 p.m. at Littleton Community College.
2. Discussed Laura Weit-Marcum's notice about Municipal EcoLink Workshops.
3. Rick was asked to provide a copy of Connecticut River Joint Commission's list used for doing DES application reviews.

Adjournment

Rick made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Marilyn. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Connie McDade

[Next Meeting Takes Place on Wednesday, June 2, 2010](#)