Draft Minutes

In Attendance
Members: Michael Fairchild, Brattleboro, VT
        Don Farquharson, Westmoreland, NH
        Elizabeth McLaughlin, Brattleboro, VT
        Dan Marx, Dummerston, VT
Commissioners: none
Guests/Public: Dinah Reed, WRC Staff

Meeting Summary
The meeting was convened by Dinah Reed at 6:35 p.m. Joe Conroy of Hinsdale was welcomed as a new member, followed by a round of introductions.

• Review of Minutes – The draft minutes of the December 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

• Recreation Plan –
  o Committee needs to get input from those who are bird-watchers, so a section can be added to plan.

• Review of Permits
  o Land Alteration on Hinsdale, NH for Tractor Supply Structure, DES File # 130107-001
    ➢ The Committee looked at the plans and determined they did not need to make comment.
  o GSP Coatings response to our request for the Toxic Management Plan
    ➢ GSP Coatings was not willing to send their Toxic Management Plan for the LRS to review. They stated that they send in their Tier II report as requested each year to VT Dept. of Emergency Management.
    ➢ The Committee requested that Dinah get a copy of the Tier II report.

• FERC re-licensing
  o The Committee discussed the process. Michael Fairchild reported that he attended a couple of the scoping meetings, and that the one held for the Vernon Dam was poorly attended by the public, but there were numerous staff of either FERC or other federal government employees in attendance.
  o There was discussion about the inadequacy of the fish ladder at Turner Falls dam.
  o There was discussion about possibly writing study requests, and that we would review the study requests already submitted before writing our own.

• Meeting schedule for 2013 – 2nd Thursday of even months, 6:30 pm -- Apr. 11 -- June 13 -- Aug. 8 -- Oct. 10 -- Dec. 12

• Next Meeting – April 11, 2013

• The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dinah Reed, WRC Staff to the Wantastiquet LRS