



Mount Ascutney River Subcommittee

New Hampshire – Plainfield, Cornish, Claremont, Charlestown

Vermont – Hartland, Windsor, Weathersfield, Springfield, Rockingham

Connecticut River Joint Commissions
Mt Ascutney River Subcommittee

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

Windsor Welcome Center
3 Railroad Ave
Windsor Vermont

Draft Minutes

Present:

Kelly Stettner, Springfield

Matt Magnifico, Windsor

Colleen O'Neill, Cornish

Bill Manner, Springfield

Judy Howland, Hartland

Cordelia Merritt, Hartland

Gilbert Whittemore, Weathersfield

1. Chair Kelly Stettner opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Welcome and introductions were made.
2. The minutes of November 10, 2015 were approved as presented by motion of Whittemore/Howland.
3. The wetlands application for annual maintenance activities by NH F & G at Ashley Ferry boat launch in Claremont was reviewed. This is basically removal of the silt that accumulates on the ramp. There were no objections or concerns. It was not clear if they are supposed to apply for the permit every year since the subcommittees don't normally seem to see these routine annual silt removal projects. By motion of Manner/Merritt, it was voted to convey approval.
4. The NH Public Access Maps were reviewed at the request of the NH PWAAB. It was noted that the cartop site is missing from Sumner's Falls in Hartland. The one need mentioned that should be passed along to the PWAAB was for an access for rescue personnel to use on the Plainfield side near Sumner's falls. The town had met with the Subcommittee to discuss this in the past.

It was mentioned as part of this discussion that Elise Angelillo has not been attending lately and should be contacted to see if she plans to stay on.

5. The draft Annual Report for towns was reviewed and approved. Several members offered to customize for their towns. Tara will send the file to the reps. for Hartland, Cornish, Weathersfield and Springfield, and to the town clerks as is for the other towns.
6. Kelly filled in the group on a possible public access clean-up event called April Stools Day. Groups sponsor boat launches and clean up dog poop. Colleen and Matt expressed interest in seeing if they can identify a specific park for the event. Matt will look more into how Windsor handles this. Both Windsor and the Corps of Engineers have bag stations.
7. Plans for how to update the Water Resources Plan as a group were discussed again. Matt will look into the Google Docs option. Tara suggested tackling Appendix C at meetings. Appendix F. was also suggested as something the group would not need any funding to do.
8. Updates - Kelly reported on the River Renaissance Plan starting up in Springfield. It is an effort to refocus economic development on the Black River using recreation and art.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Minutes respectfully provided by Tara Bamford.