Lamprey River Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes January 19, 2021 7:00 P.M.

Phone conference call convened under the emergency provisions of RSA 91-A, Emergency Order 2020 in light of COVID 19 pandemic.

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# **Summary of motions:**

Dick Lord made a motion to approve \$19,800 in funding for enhancing long-term and real-time monitoring of Lamprey River nutrient chemistry, oxygen, road salt and pH at Wiswall Falls. Motion was seconded by Mary Ann Krebs. Discussion ensued. Dick Lord made a motion to amend the original motion to make funding contingent on ensuring that sufficient funds would be available from previous years' unexpended funds. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. The motion to approve the amendment passed by a roll call vote with 6 yes votes and 1 abstention. The motion to approve the proposal was approved by a roll call vote with 7 yes votes.

Dick Lord made a motion to approve \$8,690 in funding for tracking bacterial contamination in the Lamprey River watershed. Motion was seconded by Mary Ann Krebs. Discussion ensued. Dick Lord made a motion to amend the original motion to make funding contingent on ensuring that sufficient funds would be available from previous years' unexpended funds. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. The motion to approve the amendment passed by a roll call vote with 6 yes votes and 1 abstention. The motion to approve the proposal was approved by a roll call vote with 6 yes votes and 1 abstention.

Dick Lord made a motion to elect Joe Foley as committee chair. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05.

#### attendance:

John Wallace (Barrington), Joe Foley (Epping), Mary Ann Krebs, Anne Lightbody, Dick Lord (Durham), Jason Settineri (Lee), Ann Scholz (Northwood), Therese Thompson (Nottingham)

staff: Jim MacCartney, Suzanne Petersen

## approval of minutes from December 15, 2020:

Dick Lord made a motion to approve the minutes. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Minutes were approved by a roll call vote with 6 yes votes and 1 abstention.

<u>funding proposal for enhancing long-term and real-time monitoring of Lamprey River nutrient</u> chemistry, oxygen, road salt and pH at Wiswall Falls

Bill McDowell from the NH Water Resources Research Center at UNH provided background on the proposal and answered questions. The project has the following goals:

- Replace aging probes on the existing YSI Exo2 sensor platform.
- Operate the sensors for 6 months

Assess options for putting all sensor data online in real time.

The total request is for \$19,800.

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<u>funding proposal for tracking bacterial contamination in the Lamprey River watershed</u>

Steve Jones from the Jackson Laboratory at UNH provided background on the proposal and answered questions. The project has the following goals:

- Develop a baseline of information related to bacterial pollution to help assess water quality status and potential contamination sources in the salt water and fresh water portions of the river.
- Compile data from past and on-going monitoring efforts in Great Bay to allow for spatial and long-term temporal trend determination for concentrations of three indicators of fecal-borne bacterial contamination in the greater Lamprey River watershed area.
- Extend findings to interested groups.

The total request is for \$8690.

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## election of new chair and secretary per the bylaws:

Joe Foley volunteered to serve another term as the chair. **Dick Lord made a motion to elect Joe Foley as committee chair. Mary Ann Krebs seconded. Motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.** Suzanne Petersen volunteered to serve as secretary. There were no objections.

#### other:

- Jim MacCartney verified that sufficient funds exist to fund the two project proposals discussed earlier in the meeting.
- Therese Thompson shared news from that Nottingham voters will be asked to approve a new ordinance for protecting 25 foot buffers around vernal pools and secondary streams.
- Joe Foley noted that he frequently receives requests from commercial entities to include links to their businesses on LRAC's website. The committee confirmed by consensus that this would not serve LRAC's interests and that these links not be established.

• Suzanne Petersen reported that design and coding work continues on the new website. A working test site should be up in late February.

# adjournment:

Jason Settineri made a motion to adjourn. Dick Lord seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

# LRAC Phone Meeting January 19, 2021 Vote Tally

rep	present	approve Dec minutes as amended	approve bacteria research \$8690	approve nitrogen sensors & analysis at Wiswall \$19,800	new chair Joe	new secretary Suzanne	no links to commercial websites by consensus	adjourn consensus
Foley, Joe	у	у	amend y vote y	amend y y	у			
Hall, Al								
Krebs, Mary Ann	у	sy	ss y y	ss yy	sy	S		
Lightbody, Anne	у	а	уу	уу	у			
Lord, Dick	у	my	m w amend yy	m w amend yy	my	m		s
Martin, Jerry								
Miller, Kitty								
Raymond, Ric								
Scholz, Ann	у	у	уу	уу	у			
Settineri, Jason	у	у	уу	уу	у			m
Shattuck, Michelle								
Thompson, Therese	у	У	уу	уу	У			
Wallace, John	у	у	amend a a	уу	у			

staff attending: Suzanne Petersen Jim MacCartney

guests: Mike Morasco Steve Jones Bill McDowell Kalle Matso