

**Southeast Watershed Alliance (SWA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Meeting # 22
Hoyle Tanner & Associates
Suite 360
100 International Drive
Portsmouth, NH 03801**

Minutes

March 12, 2012 @ 1:30 PM

Members Present

Michael Trainque, Chester
Wally Fries, Danville
Candace Dolan, Hampton Falls

Michael Perfit, Stratham
Richard Snow, Candia
Alison Watts, Newfields

Guests Present

William Hounsell, CDM Smith

Call to Order and Introductions

Michael Trainque called the meeting to order at 1:38 PM.

Approve Minutes

Dick Snow moved to accept the minutes of January 9, 2012. Alison Watts seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Dick Snow moved to accept the minutes of February 13, 2012. Alison Watts seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Reports of Committees

Program Development

Michael Trainque reported for the Program Development Committee. They are continuing to plan for a workshop. The idea would be to invite all the other groups working to improve the quality of the watershed to talk about what they are doing. This would be a great opportunity for people working on the various subwatersheds of the Coastal Watershed to compare notes and learn from one another. There was some discussion about the role of breakout sessions and providing an opportunity to experts to share their expertise. The consensus of the board was that the Watershed Committee will propose a workshop outline at the next board meeting.

Watershed Action Committee

Grants Management

The draft contract with the Rockingham Planning Commission was returned to them with a number of edits. The only open issue has to do with the timing of payments under the grant. Julie LaBranch of the Rockingham Planning Commission and Michael Trainque will work together to complete the agreement.

Michael Trainque has submitted our first payment request to the New Hampshire Coastal Program for grant #1.

The 319 grant in collaboration with the UNH Stormwater Center to install bio-retention units in various communities has been approved by DES. It is now waiting for approval by EPA and the Governor's Council. The issue was raised that 319 funding can't go to MS4 communities. This is not a issue for this grant but likely has implications for future grants.

New Business

Housekeeping

Shawna Fournier expects that her current employer will offer her a full time position. If so, she will not be able to continue working for the Alliance.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be on April 9, 2012 at 1:30 PM.

Announcements

Adjournment

Candace Dolan moved to adjourn. Michael Perfit seconded the motion which was approved without objection. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM.