



**SOUTHEAST WATERSHED ALLIANCE**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**MINUTES - Meeting No. 62**

**Regional Economic Development Center, Raymond, NH 03801**

**April 27, 2016**

**BOD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chris Albert, Bill Arcieri, David Cedarholm, Candace Dolan, Shelley Frost (3:10), Brian Goetz (by phone), Dean Peschel, (3:10), Dick Snow, Mike Trainque

1. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS Meeting began at 3:08. P.M.
2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES Tabled.
3. COMMITTEE REPORTS Tabled.
4. GRANTS MANAGEMENT - STATUS AND PROJECTS Tabled.
5. OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS Tabled.
6. NEW BUSINESS
  - 6.1 Board of Directors Positions:  
Michael Trainque motioned to elect David Cedarholm to BOD for a two-year term. Seconded by Chris Albert. Motion approved 8 – 0.
  - 6.2 Election of Officers 2016  
Dick Snow made a motion to accept current slate of officers as new slate of officers. Motion seconded by Chris Albert. Motion approved 9 - 0.
  - 6.3 Seacoast SW Coalition – Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA)  
SWA is now party to draft IMA. SWA's role was discussed, and various methods of financing SWA's efforts, inclusive of municipalities paying fees for SWA membership (and waiving fees for member towns unable to pay). SSC views SWA as a financial vehicle and may be open to working with SWA on a small project, with SWA as the fiscal intermediary. Discussed various means of funding, including Great Bay 2020, an initiative created by the Piscataqua Region Estuaries Project (PREP) and the Conservation Law Foundation (CLF). Rachel Roulliard of PREP reported activities of

various groups to do various efforts, who later coordinated anticipated projects Great Bay 2020, and CLF offered money if Portsmouth were to \$100,000.

Portsmouth is reportedly interested in a regional approach. It's sending stormwater pamphlets mailers to water and sewer customers. Newington, Newcastle, Rye, and Greenland residents received them, too.

Portsmouth's NPDES permit is not yet finalized – the EPA is working on a consent degree. The use of the \$100,000 is not yet decided.

#### 6.4 PTAPP Coordination

Great Bay Pollution Tracking and Accounting Pilot Project (PTAPP) is a requirement in the wastewater NPDES Permit. It primarily affects communities with wastewater treatment plants and NPDES permits – Exeter and Newmarket are the only towns with them right now (they have new permits).

PTAPP was developed by Jamie Houle, and NHDES has had eight (8) meetings to date, most recent was Friday April 22. Discussions of database development, partner roles, draft MOU for member communities. Goal set at most recent meeting was for all stakeholders to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by May 31, 2016. Jamie Houle will make the database for free to municipalities with funding from EPA. SWA would be a stakeholder member.

Dick snow motioned that we authorize the chair of SWA BOD to sign PTAPP's MOU. Seconded by Candace Dolan. Passed unanimously 9 - 0.

#### 6.5 Municipality Questionnaire

SWA should apply for NH Charitable Foundation \$5,000 grant to conduct a "Needs Survey." The survey should also address non MS4 municipalities, so should be identified as a water quality questionnaire instead of a stormwater survey. Deadline for feedback from board on survey back to Shelley by Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### 6.6 Next SWA Quarterly Meeting

June 2016. Ideas include inviting local stormwater quality organizations to discuss what they do; having a charrette; and a possible subwatershed symposium.

7. NEXT BOD MEETING 3:00 – 5:00 May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016.  
May need to find different office space.

8. DJOURNMENT\_5:10 P.M.  
Motion to adjourn by Candace Dolan. Seconded by Dean Peshel. Unanimously passed.