

Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee
May 31, 2016
Pease Public Library
Plymouth, New Hampshire
Minutes

Members Present:

Max Stamp (Bristol); Dan Stack (Ashland); Dan Paradis (Bristol) Bill Bolton (Plymouth); Barry Draper (New Hampton); Carl Lehner (Holderness); Fred; Kelly van Lingen (New Hampton).

Also Present:

Gretchen Draper

Call to Order:

Chairman Max Stamp called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Dan Stack made a motion, seconded by Carl Lehner, to approve the April minutes. The motion carried with two abstentions from Kelly and Fred .

Recap of 5/19 SEC meeting in Whitefield

- Deadline for final SEC decision on NPT application moved from 12/18/16 to 9/30 17.
- Several towns/groups requested changes to intervenor group they were assigned to.

Gretchen Draper provided additional information from the Whitefield NP meetings –

- SEC waived NP info requirements regarding alternate routes they will not be using.
- NPT sought relief from providing more detailed ROW abutter maps (particularly wetlands) claiming the request is too onerous with little benefit.
- NP did not want to provide information for decommissioning for 35 years. However, they were denied the waiver. NP must provide decommissioning plans now. In addition, they must now establish a fund to pay for decommissioning.

Bill Bolton provided information from the 5/25 NP meeting in Plymouth (Senior Center)

- HB 626 passed legislature enabling energy infrastructure corridors along major highways (Rt. 93). The new bill allows DOT to develop rules about where companies like NP can use land along routes.

Agenda:

1. As part of Discovery process, PRLAC submitted 46 questions 5/30/16, for NPT to respond to. NPT has until ~ 6/20 to respond. Max went thru each of the questions submitted and asked for questions/comments.
2. The last public meeting with the SEC will be held on 6/23 in Plymouth.
3. A meeting will be scheduled for June/July between Peter Roth, Counsel for the Public, his experts, and members of PRLAC regarding water issue concerns.

4. We will learn about “second bite” question opportunities at the end of June
5. PRLAC pre-file written testimony and photos are due in Jan/Feb
6. Adjudicatory session is expected in March/April
7. A NP “ShareFile” website will be developed which allows NP to upload their response to all intervenor group questions. PRLAC will be provided its own secure location within the site.

Additional Issues:

1. Gretchen informed us that DES wants 39 pieces of new information on wetlands/shorelands. Max will review the questions/requests.
2. Finances – Dave Jeffers received funds from three towns in April, Bridgewater, Campton, and New Hampton
3. Bill Bolton informed the committee that 19 of Plymouth’s questions were accepted by their intervenor group and submitted.

Adjournment:

8:35 PM - made by Fred and seconded by Barry, all in favor

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. van Lingen