

Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee  
February 25, 2020 at Pease Public Library  
Plymouth, NH

Members present:

Bill Bolton (Plymouth), Judy Faran (Bridgewater), Neil McIver (Plymouth), Kathleen DeWolfe (Ashland), John Gallagher (Thornton), Carl Lehner (Holderness), Max Stamp (Bristol).

Also Present: Dave Jeffers (Lakes Region Planning Commission)

1. Meeting called to order 7:00PM.
2. Approval of Minutes. - The PRLAC minutes from January 28, 2020 were reviewed. Max Stamp was present at that meeting. Motion to approve by John, seconded by Kathleen, all approved.
3. Permit applications.
  - 2020-00197 Bristol project, Max to do site visit prior to 2/28/20.
  - PSU is planning on replacing the sod with artificial turf on their football field. PRLAC awaiting permit application.
4. Proposed Riverwalk discussion tabled.
5. General discussion regarding the DES feedback from the LAC survey.
6. The issue of towns adopting steep slope ordinances was discussed. As of 2013 only some towns had adopted steep slope ordinances. PRLAC members are encouraged to contact their planning boards to adopt such ordinance. A copy of the Holderness ordinance was distributed as an example.
7. Dave Jeffers' Corner.
  - A. Aquatic Restoration Fund. Members are reminded that DES has this fund which has money available for specific watersheds. This money is earmarked towards creating new or restoring aquatic areas that may have been damaged or destroyed in their town.
  - B. Clean Water State Revolving fund is available and members should make their towns aware.
8. Neil requested PRLAC look at the issue of PFAS (Per – and Polyfluoralkyl substances) in the PRLAC watershed system. The primary concern would be the RMI site in New Hampton. Current studies show that the cost for testing for PFAS is prohibitive. The State of NH lowered the threshold for PFAS levels and RMI, 3M, and Plymouth Water and Sewer are suing the state.
9. A review was done of the bills: HB 1559, SB 428, and SB 491.
10. Motion to adjourn 8:35 PM by Kathleen, seconded by Carl. All voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Faran – Bridgewater