WAYLAND WELLHEAD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES (#59, by L. Segal)

March 23, 2010

Attendance: Sherre Greenbaum, Jennifer Riley, Tom Sciacca, Kurt Tramposch, Linda Segal
Location: Wayland Town Building, Small Hearing Room #2, 41 Cochituate Rd.

Meeting convened at 9:10 a.m.

Calendar decisions: Will cancel posted March 25 **Old Town Bridge cleanup** due to Sudbury River flooding conditions. Postpone until Friday, April 16 at 3:15 p.m. Rakes, shovels, brooms useful. T. Sciacca has some power equipment. Baldwin plant start status is unclear, so starting Phase II testing not yet scheduled. **Baldwin Open House** tentatively set for May 1 by DPW. Would be a good kick-off for **Drinking Water Week** May 2-8. "Only Tap Water Delivers" theme, against bottled water. L. Segal to review Drinking Water Week manual from NEWWA for WPC to consider possible activities.

Earth Day: Sunday, April 11, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. L. Segal to contact event coordinator Christina Veal (508 652 1903). WPC will have table to distribute educational handouts and take-away gifts from water division (water saving devices, coloring books, gardening nozzles, dye packs, etc).

APD bylaw amendment: Town Planner Sarkis Sarkasian to speak with town counsel about WPC warrant article correcting zoning bylaw per DEP guidance. Consensus that Planning Board needs to carry the ball. Correcting 15% lot coverage language deferred until the fall town meeting. S. Greenbaum to check with BOH re outcome of March 16 agenda discussion on floor drain bylaws.

HSBC & town pool construction update: T. Sciacca attended recent ConCom hearing but could not convey WPC input because the hearing was continued and no testimony was allowed. WPC discussed content for submitting written comments in time for April 6 joint hearing, to include: best management practices, no on-site refueling, question vehicle washing in zone II, silt socks in catch basins, suggest DEP review of all proposed construction in Zone II a week in advance given 2007 zone I violations, etc. Voted to authorize K. Tramposch to draft letter consistent with WPC discussion for chairman to sign (S. Greenbaum motion, J. Riley second, 5-0) and submit to ConCom. T. Sciacca & K. Tramposch to check with town planner & conservation administrator about also getting pool construction plans reviewed prior to site work. T. Sciacca reported that the June 2007 DEP letter memorializing agreement with the Town on protecting Happy Hollow wells was sent to HSBC chair Lea Anderson.

Salt Study: K. Tramposch still gathering information and will attend a New Hampshire workshop on a new program including mapping of private wells on GIS system. He agreed to provide written feedback after the workshop. WPC voted 5-0 to request town covering $60 attendance fee (S. Greenbaum motion, L. Segal second). Would be paid afterwards by submitting paperwork to treasurer T. Sciacca. K. Tramposch to set up salt website with a comcast address.

Wellhead Protection Plan: S. Greenbaum reported contact with Massachusetts RWA's Rebekah McDermott, who works on 3 such plans/year, federally funded. $300 membership with her organization not required. Wayland has 4961 water service connections. S. Greenbaum to invite her to a WPC meeting. Drinking water protection can be included in a town's master plan. L. Segal to contact Mike Lowery on status of draft Master Plan.

Operating Policies of WPC: WPC reviewed and amended draft policies document provided by the chairman. Voted to adopt them (5-0) as amended. Will be attached to approved meeting minutes.

Website: Consensus to brainstorm and create list of what information should ideally appear on water division website. Selectmen hired a firm to overhall and improve town's website this summer.

Top tier water users: Consensus to postpone second education outreach letter due to flooding conditions. Instead should brainstorm with ConCom on how to best educate residents about floodwater, stormwater & drinking water.

Miscellaneous: T. Sciacca explained features of water meter reading technology sought in DPW capital funding request. Estimated cost of $625,000 to buy base station, receivers & house transmitters. Would gather data several times/day primarily to detect leaks. Cost will not come out of tax levy. Not known yet the impact on water surcharge fee to be determined afterwards by BOPW. K. Tramposch will try to participate in EPA Water Sense conference call today to learn more about their program.

Meeting minutes approval: March 11 minutes approval pending.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 9 a.m. with Old Town Bridge cleanup the next afternoon.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. (S. Greenbaum motion, J. Riley second, voted 5-0)

(Minutes voted approved April 27, 2010)