WAYLAND WELLHEAD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES (#58, by J. Riley)

March 11, 2010

Attendance: Sherre Greenbaum, Tom Sciacca, Kurt Tramposch, Jennifer Riley
Location: Town Building, School Committee Meeting Room, 41 Cochituate Road

Meeting convened at 9:07 a.m.

S. Greenbaum reports that Doug DeNatale hope to run **pump test of Happy Hollow wells** at the end of March. SG will ask Don Millette when he expects Baldwin plant to be online, which is prerequisite to testing.

T. Sciacca reports DeNatalae says that after 5 days of pumping, HH well should reach steady state, achieving a stable capture zone. Re: Baldwin well, TS got no answer from DeNatale (?) about the delineation of capture zone. Question as to whether it includes any part of the cemetery.K. Tramposch found no regulatory control regarding cemeteries and water supply in MA.

SG reports Don Ouellette will put out bid for **solar panels in sandpit**, near HH wells. This will reduce cost of high school by providing some power. DO says DEP has no objection to siting. Fall Town Meeting will have warrant article proposing bylaw to allow solar panels in Zone I. KT reports on state-wide conference on siting of renewable. Solar seem to be prime option. Siting in Zone I wasn't address by conference as most towns using landfill sites. KT voiced concern over construction and maintenance of solar installation within Zone I (sometimes washing is required resulting in leachate; structure attracts nesting birds, bird droppings; a road will be required for construction and maintenance).

KT will draw up list of concerns/questions regarding solar siting in Zone I. Will send draft to WPC, which when edited will go to D. Ouelette and Wayland Energy Committee (which is supporting solar installation).

Aquifer Protection District bylaw has been dropped from TM warrant. It's a Planning Board article. T. Sciacca speaks against haste in the process. General consensus is to let PB deal with it for now.

Floor Drain Regs are on agenda for Board of Health meeting 3/16/10. Regs. must be passed to be in compliance with [EDITORS –FILL IN THE BLANK] and to ensure future withdrawal permits. SG will pull together info. packet for BoH.

RiverFest T. Sciacca and J. Riley met with Mass Audubon teachers to sketch out content of event on Sat. June 12, 2-4pm at Old Stone Bridge. JR will reserve room at PSB for use in inclement weather. Work party to clean up Bridge tentatively scheduled for Friday. March 19, c. 3:00pm. KT suggests selling invasive species cookbook for next year's RiverFest. JR suggest Russ Cohen as source.

High School KT will send memo, via, TS, to Lea Anderson of HSBC regarding concerns about staging and construction. KT will also draft memo ASAP to ConComm regarding washing, storage, and refueling of construction vehicles and emphasizing need for spill protection (to protect Dudley Brook/HH wells). Next ConComm meeting is 3/18; TS will try to attend.

Stonebridge Housing Plan There is nothing concrete to respond to; plan to monitor plans as they develop.

Water Treatment Plant at Happy Hollow SG reports DM says plant planned 10 yrs. Out to treat Meadowview and HH together. Issue is iron;manganese in Meadowview, but no space to site plant near Meadowview, so siting would be at HH and treat both with ozone to eliminate need for chlorine.

Earth Day Sunday, April 11, at schools. Should WPC have table with model aquifer, Water Sense info. SG will contact group, saying we may want a table. Can L. Segal be at table and demonstrate aquifer? No one else can be there.

Another Baldwin Plant Open House is scheduled for May 1, with info also at landfill. TS may be able to use model aquifer at landfill.

Wellhead Protection Plan. SG got contact fro Mass Rural Water Assn. (MRWA), source for general questions, may be able to help with writing plan. Federally funded (USDA?).

KT reports on redrafting of **WMA** with input from Jamie Eldridge's committee Thnks WWPC is in goo position to push for wellhead protection, safe yield regs, and rationale for WP committees. Meeting will be held 3/13 in Maynard with Eldrige. WPC agrees KT can speak for WPC.

Approve minutes of Feb. 26 mtg. Moved by SGH, TS second, approved 3-0. **Next meeting scheduled for March 25, 2010, 9am.**

KT reports on **salt reduction** workshop in NH, suggests MA do the same. Research at UConn focusing on mobilization of metals by salt. WPC should aim at public education on this issue; use being driven largely by liability issues for commericial lots and roadways. KT will research instrument for measuring salinity of tap water. (Project for Emily Norton's high school science class?) TS will get stats from Stubby on usage and storage of salt.

Meeting adjourned 10:45am. SG move to adjourn, TS second, voted 4-0.

(minutes voted approved April 15, 2010)