WAYLAND WELLHEAD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES (#55, by L. Segal)

January 28, 2010

Attendance: Sherre Greenbaum, Tom Sciacca, Linda Segal, Kurt Tramposch,
Water Superintendent Don Millette (til 10 a.m.)
Location: Wayland Town Building, School Committee Room, 41 Cochituate Rd.

Meeting convened at 9:05 a.m.

Report from Water Supt: Baldwin plant basement needs to be heated. Will add two electric heaters to raise temperature over 50 degrees. Rest of building uses gas heat; plant not on line yet because of faulty voltage regulator for ozone. Mitzubishi specialist being flown in from England, beyond skills of normal service. Most of iron & manganese removed, ph around 8. Still considering second plant for Happy Hollow/Meadowview. Baldwin may be operational by end of February; Doug can resume Phase II once Happy Hollow wells shut down. K. Tramposch asked about cyanobacteria detection (linked to Lou Gehrig's & Parkinson's) from pond scum (May-November). T. Sciacca indicated that toxicity may be from a particular species.

CWA 604b (water quality management) Grant: K. Tramposch reported on DEP info session. Application deadline is March 19. Will issue $270K, in $40-60K range, non-point source pollution. WPC brainstormed various possibilities: high school drainage, generate stormwater data before & after and evaluate results, best management practices, runoff from Rt 27 to Baldwin pond, road salt into river releases mercury, salt at all town wells, evaluate salt at various levels of aquifer in at least a dozen already existing wells near HH, add to state of knowledge on subject, finish WPP. Consensus that K. Tramposch will tap DEP contact for more guidance, check with B. Monahan if ConCom interested in OCP stormwater. L. Segal to ask BOH re meeting agenda time to discuss floor drains.

Drinking Water Week - May 2-8: S. Greenbaum to find out about ordering pamphlets from NE Water Works.

Misc: Lake Cochituate Watershed group forming & looking for Wayland volunteers. Brainstormed possible people to ask: Ted Fiust, Mike Lowery, Becky Regan, etc. K. Tramposch doing private well presentation Saturday Jan. 30 at watershed summit. Discussed reuse of town's landfill: town's energy committee does not find methane gas or solar there cost-effective, landfill not high enough for wind energy generation. Could have enough load at town building. K. Tramposch asked about installing greenhouses on top of capped landfill for starter plants for Wayland gardeners. S. Greenbaum suggested applying to CPC for funding to protect HH sand pit and will get more information.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 9 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m. (S. Greenbaum motion, K. Tramposch second, voted 4-0)

(minutes voted approved Feb 26, 2010)