

SHELBURNE STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

3 April 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: John DeBrul, Chris Davis, Chip Stulen, Marty Illick, Susan Moegenburg, Mike Schramm via phone (Dick Elkins absent)

ADMINISTRATION: Ann Janda, Director of Administration, Joe Colangelo, Town Manager, Dean Pierce, Planning Director, Tom DiPietro, South Burlington Deputy Public Works Director, and Chris Robinson, Water Quality Superintendent

ALSO PRESENT: Jamie Heins, Selectboard vice chair

1. Marty Illick called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.
2. Agenda approved, after amending to add Chris Davis findings after talking with a few of the large stakeholders as Item 5a. *Susan Moegenburg moved, Marty Illick seconded. Passed 5-0.*
3. Minutes from Feb. 20, 2018 approved. *Chip Stulen moved, Moegenburg seconded. Passed 4-0 (Chris Davis abstained.)*
4. Report from 3.27.18 presentation to the SB: Chris Davis gave clear and comprehensive summary of SWAC work so far. SB unanimously approved moving forward with mission and updated schedule. SB also voted to appoint Jamie Heins as liaison between SWAC and SB.
5. Updated Gantt Chart Schedule
 - April 2018 – Oct. 2019 – Outreach
 - March 2018 – July 2019: Implementation
 - June – July 2019 will be timeframe for postcards ahead of first billing

Public vetting process: Chris Robinson suggested moving up start date of public vetting to May 2018 so that we begin before summer when many people are gone. First outreach is with largest stakeholders. Jamie Heins suggested writing an Executive Summary of the three documents so they can be easily digested by public. DiPietro advised to have legal review of documents before they are unveiled to the Selectboard.

DiPietro pointed out that Article V still needs to be written. Janda suggested we insert the same language as South Burlington so we have something to start from and discuss.

5a. Chris Davis – see email from 4.3.18. Four properties in large landholder category. Museum, Wake Robin, Meach Cove, Shelburne Farms.

Even with credits large landowners will be paying many thousands of dollars. Is there a way to take the blunt off without making everyone else feel like they're subsidizing the few at the top? Davis suggested a cap of \$5000 - \$6000.

Illick pointed out that it's not just sheer acreage, it's the percentage of a property that's impervious. Shelburne Farms is 3.5%. Compare that to the airport.

Another problem is that properties like Wake Robin and Automaster have implemented all state required BMPs, yet the credits don't ease their burden by more than 50%.

A few options were discussed, including having another tier category in 3.3 for %Impervious 0-5%. Or increased credit amount – take out cap of 50%. Hybrid credit % - up to 50% credit, then bring in ag, education, etc... Also look at EPA document for further ideas. Or possibly ramp up into the full fee over one or two years.

6. Review of Documents – major changes. Chris Robinson will update next draft and send out by our next meeting. However, it will not be on the agenda. Robinson would like to reinsert the word "watercourse" as it is needed to include language from current ordinance. What do other town's ordinances use?

Shelburne does not currently have a full-time dedicated stormwater staff person. However, South Burlington's assistance is filling in some of the gaps.

7. Shelburne received a \$50,000 ERP grant, which is matched by \$25,000 from the Town. Will use some it for outreach materials, starting with hiring Emma Vaughn from CCRPC to develop a one page infographic to use during the public vetting process.

Janda recapped ideas for the next agenda:

1. Review practical ideas to reduce fees
2. Plan for meeting with stakeholders
3. Review a draft executive summary of documents
4. If possible, review a draft one-page infographic outreach piece

8. Adjourned at 4:22pm.