

Bellamy and Oyster River Protection Partnership
Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2007

Attendance: Brian Gallagher (UNH), Bob Eckert (Barrington), Eric Fiegenbaum (Madbury),
Chuck Cox (Lee)

Absent: David Cedarholm (Durham), Tom Cravens (Portsmouth), Tom Fargo (Dover)

Others: Jennifer Rowden (UNH), Lorraine Morong (Madbury)

Minutes: Minutes from May were approved.

Community Reports:

Barrington: Land steward position is being advertised. Police have a grant and spend some weekend time on the SATWaR. Newly designed subdivision had large washouts from heavy rain.

UNH: Durham and UNH are requesting waivers for chemical monitoring and propose instead to monitor possible contamination sources. They will still do testing, just not as often. Program will include mailing educational materials and inspections.

Lee: Heavy flooding at the Lee Circle. ORWA is planning a river walk there soon. Concerns about more impervious surface being planned for the area.

Durham: As reported by Chuck C., the Durham Market Place shopping area is under consideration for redesign. ORWA is hoping to give input on stormwater issues.

Madbury: Madbury had about \$20,000 of road work damage from the recent rains.

Dover: No report

Portsmouth: No report

Agenda Items:

1. Current officers will continue for one more year. Passed by consensus.
2. There was discussion on the proposal to apply for a grant to increase communications among the town boards and decision makers, and to see if there are common areas of concern or interest. It was decided that we might best accomplish the goal by first visiting with each entity individually, explain who we are, give info on regional issues, and solicit the entities areas of concern or current activities. Then we would summarize our findings, pass that back to the entities, and perhaps plan a gathering to discuss common issues. It was agreed that approaching the entities individually at first was the best approach. Discussion continued about the mechanics of applying for a grant. NH Charitable Foundation has Express Grants that might be a match with our project. Perhaps Strafford Regional Planning could act as the grant administrator.
3. Agenda for our next meeting on June 12, 1:00 pm, Madbury Town Hall, would be to work on a grant proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Fiegenbaum