

# **Minutes of Souhegan River Local Advisory Committee**

**Police Station, Milford New Hampshire**

**April 17, 2019**

In attendance were members Cory Ritz (New Ipswich), Nelson Disco (Merrimack), Cam Lockwood (Temple), Bill Mahar (Wilton) and Robert Clemens (Amherst)

**Approval of Minutes** - Approved the SoRLAC Minutes for March 21.

## **Business**

**Synergy Self Storage AOT Permit**- No one was present to represent the plan to the Committee. It was noted that this plan represented work that was already done on the site and the site plan had been approved by the Merrimack Planning Board. It was noted that the LMRLAC had also reviewed this plan last week, (well after construction completion). The Committee decided that our chairman should send a note to the DES, similar to the note sent by Gene Porter for the LMRLAC expressing our concerns with reviewing the plan after all construction was complete.

**Eversource Utility Line Work** - Committee reviewed Eversource plans for Utility Line work, consisting of wooden pole replacement and access road improvements in the River Shoreline zone. Given that BMPs were being followed for erosion control, the Committee had no comments to offer

**Future PFAS Presentation** - Jim Taylor has offered to have the SoRLAC receive a presentation on PFAS from an expert at the Merrimack Waste Water Treatment Facility. The Committee was very favorable to receiving such a presentation

**Reparian Plantings In Milford** - No further discussion at this time.

**LAC meeting take-aways** – The meeting in Concord was attended by four representatives from SoRLAC. Cory was pleased to find the Souhegan River brochure being given out at the meeting. More copies are available from Michelle Tremblay and Cory suggested they be made available at the upcoming (May4) Souhegan Sustainability Fair in Wilton.

Other Topics discussed included the rules changes being proposed for AoT Applications (some improvements, shortened time frames) and the desire to get more publicity for our work in protecting the river environment. It was agreed that the way to get better publicity would be via a web site, but no one on the Committee felt that they had the expertise to take on this task. All were encouraged to attend the Sustainability Fair in Wilton on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting- May 16, at the Milford Police Station**

Submitted by Nelson Disco