

Upper Merrimack River

Local Advisory Committee



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UMRLAC Meeting Minutes for February 10, 2014 Northfield Town Hall, Northfield

Members present: Michele Tremblay (Boscawen), Steve Landry (Boscawen), Gary Lynn (Bow), Krista Crowell (Bow), Nita Tomaszewski (Franklin), Donna Liolis (Franklin), Nancy Roy (Canterbury), Rick Chormann (Concord), Wayne Ives (Franklin), and Bill Dawson (Northfield)
Members absent: David Kirkpatrick (Bow), Madeline Mineau (Concord), Harry Anderson (Northfield), Anne Emerson (Canterbury) and Tucker Noack (Franklin)
Others Present: Christy Liolis, Chris Skoglund (DES)

The Chair of UMRLAC, Michele Tremblay, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. UMRLAC voted to accept the consent agenda. The next meeting will be **March 10, 2014 in Boscawen**.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report for January was circulated, approved, and placed on file. All adopt-a-site and municipal support payments are current.

Membership

Michele indicated that Donna, Nita and David all need to be re-nominated. She encouraged these valued UMRLAC members to contact their municipality about re-nomination. Krista volunteered to call David and discuss re-nomination.

Chris Skoglund Presentation

Chris Skoglund works at the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services as their Energy and Climate Analyst. He gave a presentation on the potential impacts of global warming to New Hampshire. He discussed both the need for emission reduction and the need to develop approaches for adaptation to changes in precipitation intensity and frequency, changes in the frequency and duration of drought, increased temperatures, and decreased snow cover.

Guest Speakers/Winter Public Event

Michele reminded the committee of the upcoming Gimme Green movie and panel discussion that will be held at the Saint Paul's School in the auditorium of their new science building. There are 46 people registered for the event and the Works Café will donate the food and St. Paul's School will donate the liquid refreshments. Wayne and Krista will help with the setup and check-in (arrival at 6:45PM). Steve will usher.

Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP)

Steve briefed UMLAC on the latest developments with UMMP. Bug nights have started and the first night lecture drew a crowd of 25 volunteers. Last week, even with the disruption caused by

the snowstorm, 12 people showed up and the sample identification backlog from last year was eliminated. Michele noted that UMMP was featured in a Concord Monitor photo essay and that the Saint Paul's School interviewed her for their Alumni *Horae* magazine.

Project Proposals, Permits, and Complaints

There were no proposals or permits to review for this month.

Miscellaneous

- 1) Nancy will be the February website reviewer.
- 2) Madeline Mineau has her baby girl on Thursday. Her daughter, Camille Mineau, was 6 pound 13 ounces and 19 ½ inches. Congratulations Madeline
- 3) Steve Landry had a featured article in the Rivers Management Society Journal on six river success stories.
- 4) UMR LAC signed and is sending Harry a get-well card.
- 5) The hearing on HB-1145 (the bill to take land out of a conservation easement for the construction of the Sewells Fall Dam bridge project) will be this week.
- 6) The State's Rivers Management Advisory Committee is evaluating potential statutory changes to the enabling statute. We will host the other river LACs at our March meeting in Boscawen to discuss the changes. The proposed changes to the Statute will be distributed prior to the meeting. UMR LAC voted to spend up to \$100 to host the meeting.
- 7) The New Hampshire Rivers Council sent UMR LAC a thank you note for our donation.
- 8) Gary will miss the March meeting and Bill will do the minutes for him.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM. Minutes submitted by Gary Lynn