

HLLT Meeting Minutes **Wednesday, May 27, 2020** **Zoom Conference Call**

- Welcome – Gretchen Anderson, Kim Darling, Dennis Brown, Tom Peterson, Heather Huntt, Tom Verlee, Kim White, Jarrod Maxfield, Rosie Hartzler, Nancy Lightbody, John Mackinnon, Jeff Dennis in attendance.
- Public comment was opened and closed. No comments were made.
- Motion made to approve February 26, 2020 minutes. Motion carried,
- Discuss Town funding for HLLT related projects for upcoming year
 - Falmouth - \$32,000 prior to COVID-19, \$12,000 for all sustainability projects (\$3,000 for water quality sampling and \$9,000 for support from CCSWCD)
 - CCSWCD stated that \$16,000 from both Towns would cover support for the district's time.
 - Jeff, Karen, Keith are discussing water quality testing plans (i.e. the staple plans, additional protocols that will help test hypothesis) phosphorus cores, chlorophyll and eDNA sampling will be taken.
 - No interns will be used due to COVID-19. Karen, Keith & maybe Kevin will be conducting the testing.
 - Plan and subsequent costs depend on what type of sampling season we have (i.e. big bloom = more sampling events). Must be flexible.
 - Falmouth and Windham have requested scope of work as well as sampling plan description.
 - Jeff, Karen & Keith have been working on one and will be forthcoming.
 - Windham - \$13,000 for mitigation (Watershed Protection Grant), \$3,000 for water quality sampling.
- Committee members thought the Watershed Management Plan was a thorough, readable document that will guide work for reducing phosphorous in Highland Lake. Responsible parties will be helpful in organizing efforts.
 - Discussion whether the plan implementation would lie with the full HLLT or TAC. Jeff Dennis said the TAC would be helpful in getting into the weeds and provide expertise outside of HLLT members. Bring major decisions to HLLT.
 - Motion made to adopt Watershed Management Plan. Motion carried.
 - Discussion between towns on formal resolution process or informal committee update.
- CCSWCD provided update on 319 Grant Application. Overlook Road was determined to be highest priority site (~\$75,000 project cost). Overlook Rd Association letter of support (\$12,000), majority from 319 grant and will be looking to apply for Watershed Protection Grant for remainder (\$12,000).
 - Jarrod asked about mechanism for ensuring maintenance. Rosie stated that Association has taken responsibility to conduct maintenance. Heather confirmed that Watershed Protection Grant requirements and 319 requirements.
- Committee updates were brief due to limited meetings.
- Meeting adjourned. Doodle poll will be sent out to schedule next meeting.