

POTTER HILL DAM INFORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes  
September 14, 2021  
Ashaway Fire Station, 213 Main Street – 2nd Floor, Ashaway, RI 02804

6:00 P.M. Call to Order.

1. **Attendance and meeting protocol** – 5 minutes

1. Jim, Carl, Bob, Chip, Roger, Howie, Marie, Scott Bill

2. **Review and accept the prior meeting minutes** – 5 minutes

Reviewed and accepted, Chip abstained due to absence

3. **Old business-**

- Robocall was sent to the Town Manager but has not been sent to residents
- Sharon and Chip merged property owner lists for a total of 205
- 205 surveys/ envelopes were hand addressed by Chip and Sharon
- A letter was attached to the surveys and mailed to the 205 residents and mailed today 9/14/21
- Options provided in the mailing :
  - Go to Westerly website/Survey Monkey link
  - Drop off paper survey to town
- Questions we developed ...
  - FAQs we received, still outstanding questions
  - We are on the town council meeting agenda for September 20, 2021
  - Scott will confirm that this is accurate
- Per Howie: Steve (Hopkinton Council President) should reach out to Sharon Ahern (Westerly Council President) and/or interim manager r.e. how the project will be moving forward as Mark Rooney will be leaving

4. **New business-**

- Minor changes were made to the flyer including punctuation. Also the email address has to be corrected.
- Where to distribute flyer
  - Handouts to go door to door, 205 addresses
  - Estimate 4-5 hours to go door to door
  - Chip disagrees with including the cost of the well on the flyer.

- Ask if person is a renter, if yes, ask for a contact number and/or an address for the owner
- Jim will send the list of addresses and divide list by routes 3 groups- working as partners
- Marie will deliver flyers to Post Office, Library, Pete's Grocery, Brick Oven, Liquor Store, Dunkin etc...
  - Hang flyer or door at eye level etc...

#### Town Council Meeting 9/20/21

- Jim will send an email to the Town Council on what we would like to discuss
  - Town of Westerly moving ahead with the PH Dam removal
  - Details from the flyer
  - What is the Town and Town Council prepared to do to ensure that Hopkinton residents do not lose water/wells? if they are adversely impacted who will be responsible for replacing the wells?

#### 5. **Discuss next steps** – 5 minutes

- Jim will follow up with Brian and town regarding who should get the call. Marie and Carl would like the call to go to the whole town to generate public awareness.
- Request 300 color copies to be made for teams to distribute (80 each team) and Marie (50)

#### 6. **Set date of next meeting**

September 21, 2021

#### 7. **Adjournment.**