

Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning Committee
Minutes of 11/2/17 meeting, approved at our 12/7/17 meeting

Present: Selena Roman, Kristen Fauteux, Chuck Hodgkinson, Prudy Burt, Cindy Mitchell.

Absent: Tim Boland, Rez Williams

Also present: Kent Healy

Minutes of the 6/26/17 and 8/3/17 meetings were approved

Discussion of draft #8. There currently being two versions of this draft, members discussed the need to get us back on a single draft. Missing from Chuck's version, dated 8/14/17, are all previous comments and input approved by the full committee that Prudy and Selena have been keeping track of. Prudy and Selena offered to incorporate all comments and input, including those from Chuck's 8/14/17 draft into a single new draft #9 before our next meeting.

Members present discussed adding a short executive summary to the beginning of the report.

Prudy said that the list of recommendations seemed to be turning into a restatement of things already covered in the report itself. With apologies to Bill Wilcox for the work he has already done on drafting some of this, Prudy suggested scrapping this list and replacing it with a short list of recommendation bullets. Members present concurred. Cindy suggested that we identify the proper municipal entity to carry on this work and add to this list.

Kent Healy suggested that this committee ask the board of selectmen to draft a warrant article for 2018 annual town meeting, requesting an amount of money to do the work needed to fill in the data gaps evident in this first study of the Mill Brook watershed.

Correspondence in: The committee received a letter from Lloyd Raleigh of Helia Environmental, attached to these minutes as a reference. Mr. Raleigh is an ecologist currently living in North Carolina, but formerly lived for 8 years on the Vineyard, working as the Islands Ecologist for the Trustees of Reservations.

Our next meeting will be on 11/16/17. Chuck will check with Carl Nielsen as to his availability to come to the island for one of his last two face to face meetings with this committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

Submitted by Prudy Burt