Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning Committee

Minutes of 5/22/17 meeting

Present: Cindy Mitchell, Rez Williams, Kristen Fauteux, Tim Boland and Prudy Burt

Absent: Chuck Hodgkinson, Selena Roman

Also present: Kent Healy

Minutes of 5/18/17 meeting were approved, all in favor. Prudy will send to town clerk for posting. Selena had forwarded a scanned hard copy of minutes from 3/28/16 which had been approved at the following 4/25/16 meeting but never posted. Prudy will also forward these minutes to Tara for posting.

Cindy shared a resignation letter from Nancy Huntington. At their 5/17/17 meeting, the board of selectmen voted to reduce the size of this committee to 7 members. This reduces the number of members needed for a quorum to 4.

Cindy asked remaining members to get reappointed for one more year. All present indicated that they would do so.

Kent submitted written comments on the draft report which Prudy and Selena will incorporate into the next draft. Kent suggested that all measurements be in consistent terminology- for example, all water flow measurements be in cubic feet per second. He had some remaining questions for Carl Nielsen of ESS Group which the committee will submit to Carl before he comes to his next meeting with us on island. Cindy asked Kent for clarification on the narrative he shared with committee members at our 5/8/17 meeting, in particular, did he intend this narrative to be included in our final report? Kent indicated that his narrative was for the edification of committee members, not for inclusion in total, or to be paraphrased in our final report.

The committee continued review of draft #7 of the report. The main section that needs work is the BiodiversityWorks/Greg Whitmore section. Kristen and Tim will refine key findings in the Whitmore section for review at our next meeting on June 12.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m., with next meetings scheduled for June 12 and June 26.

Submitted by Prudy Burt