

Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning committee

Minutes of the April 25, 2016 meeting

Present: Cindy Mitchell, Chuck Hodgkinson, Selena Roman, Rez Williams and Prudy Burt

Absent: Kristen Fauteux, Tim Boland

Also present: Kent Healy

ESS Group has sent the draft report of the 2015 data collection- received by committee members today. Members need a chance to review, and will also seek input from Bill Wilcox.

Invoice #45622 from ESS Group in the amount of \$828 was approved for payment.

The committee reviewed #20 from our RFP appendix, "A Report Upon the Alewife Fisheries of Massachusetts", by D.L. Belding.

The minutes of 3/28/16 were approved as amended, with Selena and Cindy abstaining. Prudy suggested that there was some confusion about the second full paragraph. It seemed unclear whether this was indicating Kent's opinion or the opinion of the committee. She asked that it be made clear that the discussion about the methodology used by ESS Group to measure water flow was Kent's opinion and not that of the committee. The methodology used was approved by the committee at the start of the study in 2015. ESS Group measured water levels with continuous data recorders to get an indication of water flow in Mill Brook in an attempt to quantify withdrawals and diversions.

Next meeting dates for May 9 and May 23 were approved by members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudy Burt