

TOWN OF BOW

Drinking Water Protection Committee

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DRAFT MINUTES , 2022

Bow Drinking Water Committee held its regular meeting on August 1, 2022 at 5:30 PM in Room C at 10 Grandview Road in Bow. Members present in person were: Tom O’Donovan (Chair), Cindy Klevens, and Chris Dunbar. Steve Cheney attended. Jordan Vachon and Madhumita Chatterjee were excused.

APPROVAL OF June 6, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Minutes were approved as presented after a motion by Cindy Klevens and second by Chris Dunbar.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CHAIR:

Bryan Westover of the Town Planning Office is retiring. Cindy and Tom will attend his event. This means there is basically no staff left in the planning office.

The Committee discussed the ongoing drought (see Drought Monitor). Cindy Klevens described the transition of the NHDES Well Assistance program to the Well Assistance for Natural Disasters (WAND) that provides funding for well owners for all natural disasters, not just drought. WAND is funded by the Trust Fund and \$500 K is available to low-income families. An announcement on WAND is coming this week. The Committee also discussed the increase in well water contaminants that occurs during droughts as groundwater levels fall and that “test and treat” remains the best approach for dealing with these contaminants. Steve Cheney described that the Bow Municipal wells are currently not showing any impact from the drought and weekly monitoring continues.

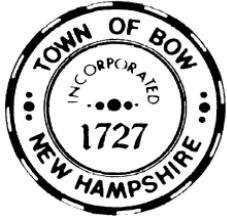
ITEMS:

Ms. Klevens

- Saturday Well testing event: 21 Test kits were distributed on June 11th and 10 were returned for submittal to the lab. Cindy will get these results and provide for Committee review. – **Ongoing.**
- Update on Bow High School opportunities (data sharing, mentoring, etc.) and reach out to Mrs. Mitchell to invite her to a future meeting – **Continued.**
- Provide a source water protection plan update, and update on the BDWPC email. – **Continued.**
- Updated SWP activities table and WHPA table – **Complete.**

Mr. O’Donovan

- Attend the next monthly Water Operator meeting with the Town Manager. Steve will send next meeting information. – **Continued.**
- Contact the sales representative to find out more about the photometer - **Continued.**
- Update on Concord to Bow water connection. The latest from Concord Water, Marco Philippon, is that he has an estimate for the initial document work and will get City approval enroute to the Trust Fund for funding of that work. The Committee would like to meet with the Town Manager to discuss the water connection in detail, Tom will get scheduled. – **Continued.**
- Check with NHDES Public Affairs on support for video production. – **Complete.**



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46 **Steve Cheney:**

47 Monthly labs continue and data is provided. Cindy's goal remains to correlate chlorides and
48 TDS/conductivity to help closely monitor chlorides. Tom will provide a copy of the Merrimack chloride
49 contamination presentation. Cindy is concerned with the manganese levels and discussion on treatment
50 approaches and cost was held. Will be a discussion item with Town Manager.

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52 **Mr. Dunbar:** Ready to begin filming, so Film Day will be 17 September at 9:00 AM. – **Continued.**

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54 Next Meeting – **September 12, 2022 at 5:30 pm.** Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

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