

TOWN OF ACTON
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Documents: Any documents utilized during this meeting are either included in these minutes, available on the web and/or can be examined at the Town offices during regular business hours.

Present: Matt Mostoller, Ron Beck, Barry Rosen, Chris Allen (AWD), 3 guests.

Note Taker(s): Barry Rosen

Chairperson: Ron Beck

Called To Order: The chairperson called the meeting to order on November 16, 2016 at 1:02 PM ET in the meeting room at the Acton Water District HQ building.

New Business:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** In order to make use of the limited amount of time available, Mr. Beck asked the committee if the acceptance of the previous meeting's minutes (11/1/2016) could be deferred until the next meeting. All agreed on this suggestion.
2. **Meeting Format:** This meeting was scheduled to have an open citizen's discussion with the Acton Water District to brainstorm ideas around water source availability, protection and possible monitoring that could be suggested in light of Concord's request for a permit to build a new and larger water treatment plant at Nagog Pond. Because three members of the WRAC will be present during this discussion, a meeting of the WRAC was posted. Because of the nature of this meeting, all discussion was open to all who were present foregoing the "usual" meeting participation rules concerning guests. The WRAC has no position in any of the discussions. Any member participating was doing so as an individual citizen.
3. **Meeting Summary:**
 - 3.1. All present introduced themselves, their backgrounds and their interest areas of water protection.
 - 3.2. Mr. Mostoller provided a summary of threats to the Assabet well fields.
 - 3.3. There was brief discussion of the DCR letter which projected water needs for Acton. It was pointed-out that most of Acton's current growth is due to 40B construction.
 - 3.4. Rather than act as individuals, could a group work together to provide written recommendations to the town and/or AWD to monitor water supply as a condition of granting a permit to Concord if the BOS decide to grant a permit. The AWD provided some thoughts on what and how to monitor and also suggested that they do the monitoring rather than Concord. The consensus was that Concord should pay for any monitoring of the groundwater supply.
 - 3.5. The feeling was that further meetings of this *ad hoc* group should take place and attempt to draft a recommendation.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

Adjournment:

On a motion to adjourn made by Mr. Mostoller which was seconded by Mr. Rosen, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.