Lamprey River Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 18, 2025 7:00 P.M. Location: Lee Public Safety Complex, 20 George Bennett Road



APPROVED MARCH 18, 2025

<u>representatives attending in person:</u> John Wallace (Barrington); Dick Lord, Dave Steinberg (Durham); Jim Brady (Lee); Ben Buckley, Patrick Reynolds (Newmarket); Grace Levergood (Northwood); Therese Thompson (Raymond)

representatives attending by phone: none

staff: Suzanne Petersen

Meeting began at 7:00.

summary of motions passed:

- Dave Steinberg made a motion for the LRAC to request funding to cover storage unit rental, NPS liaison office rent, coordinator expenses, accounting services, and previously approved grants for the rest of FY2025, which will end April 30, 2026. This request will be made in early March unless clear advice against this action is received. Jim Brady seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Patrick Reynolds made a motion to accept project review letters as presented for the following projects:
 - 40 Blake Road, Epping, shoreland
 - Raymond, 215 Rte. 27, shoreland
 - Nottingham, 30 Tuckaway Shores Rd., shoreland

Ben Buckley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

approval of minutes from January 21, 2025:

Jim Brady made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dave Steinberg seconded. Motion passed with 6 yes votes and 2 abstentions.

financial reports:

- Bank statement, year-to-date budget, and land protection fund reports had ordinary activity and no concerns were noted.
- W&S funding is currently in a state of great uncertainty. The US Congress has allocated funding to the W&S Rivers and we have, in turn, made funding commitments to some of our local partners. Anticipated expenses for January and February are secured, but there is anxiety about the rest of the year. Dave Steinberg made a motion for the LRAC to request funding to cover storage unit rental, NPS liaison office rent, coordinator expenses, accounting services, and previously approved grants for the rest of FY2025, which will

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project review:

The three draft letters were shared on-line and summarized during the meeting. Patrick Reynolds made a motion to accept project review letters as presented for the following projects:

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Route 87 bridge in Epping, kiosk is down

Epping CC and kiosk builder were contacted. Kiosk frame is at its expected endof-life. Epping DPW has been asked to remove it and store at DPW.

grants update:

- Wadleigh Falls history signs are complete; frame and panels will be installed this spring.
- Wiggin Farm trail improvement work in Newmarket will be delayed until spring. The permit-by-notification took longer than expected. The applicant has been informed that funding might be imperiled

on-line mapping:

The latest maps were shared and reviewed. Sample queries were demonstrated and weaknesses noted. We are getting much closer to a final product, but a few issues remain.

next meeting: March 18, 2025

adjournment:

Jim Brady made a motion to adjourn. Grace Levergood seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50.