

MINUTES OF THE
CAPE COD WATER PROTECTION COLLABORATIVE
03-14-07

A meeting of the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative was held at the Superior Courthouse in Barnstable on March 14, 2007, commencing at 8:31 a.m.

Members:

Barnstable	Paul Niedzwiecki	Present
Bourne	Peggy Fantozzi	Present
Brewster	Bud Rowles	Present
Chatham	Sean Summers	Present
Dennis	Gene Tully	Present
Eastham	Jane Crowley	Present
Falmouth	Jack Barnes	Present
Harwich	Larry Ballantine	Present
Mashpee	John Cahalane	Absent
Orleans	Augusta McKusick	Absent
Provincetown	Cheryl Andrews	Present
Sandwich	David Mason	Absent
Truro	Suzanne Grout Thomas	Absent
Wellfleet	Emily E. H. Beebe	Absent
Yarmouth	George Allaire	Absent

County Commissioners' Appointees:

John O'Brien	Present
John Hinckley	Present

Others Present:

Tom Cambareri	Cape Cod Commission
Sue Rask	Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment
George Heufelder	Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment
Stephanie Ostapowich	Town of Barnstable
Philip L. Jasset	UCANE
Andrew Gottlieb	CCWPC
Tonna-Marie Rogers	Waquoit Bay Reserve
Joane Mullen	Waquoit Bay Reserve

1) Minutes – Chairman Niedzwiecki called the meeting to order and asked for any comments or questions on the Minutes of February 14, 2007. No comments or questions offered. Mr. Niedzwiecki motioned to approve the minutes, motion moved by Gene Tully, 2nd by Peggy Fantozzi, Approved by all.

2) Professional Services RFP – Chairman Niedzwiecki introduced Andrew Gottlieb to the Governing Board Members. The Hiring Committee has recommended Mr.

Gottlieb be hired as a Consultant to provide professional services. Mr. Niedzwiecki gave a brief introduction on Mr. Gottlieb's work history.

Mr. Gottlieb addressed the Governing Board and elaborated further on his experiences and work history that lead to his enthusiasm to work on with the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative.

Mr. Niedzwiecki opened up the meeting to any comments or suggestions.

John Hinckley motioned to have the Governing Board accept the Steering Committee's recommendation of Mr. Gottlieb's appointment. 2nd by Peggy Fantozzi, moved by all.

Sean Summers voiced his concerns on the process that was done to recommend Mr. Gottlieb and the lack of information and time the board received to approve his recommendation. Mr. Summers inquired as to the reasons that Mr. Gottlieb's proposal was selected over the other two proposals received.

John Hinckley addressed Mr. Summers concerns by explaining that the motion to put the Steering Committee's recommendation in front of the board was to give the board the opportunity to approve Mr. Gottlieb's recommendation.

Paul Niedzwiecki acknowledged the concerns of the board members and agreed that the Collaborative's process has had hiccups in the first year. There was a push to get someone on board and his understanding was the hiring committee was to recommend the consultant to the Steering Committee. In regards to the other firms, one of the firms had a team of 5 and it was the sense of the hiring committee that it was premature for those "other" services" at this time.

Larry Ballantine spoke to his concerns on the process and that they need to be careful that the Steering Committee is not taking over the Governing Board duties.

Discussion among various board members including Paul Niedzwiecki, Cheryl Andrews and Peggy Fantozzi continued on how the Collaborative's hiring process changed from hiring an Executive Director last Fall to hiring a Consultant for one year. Cheryl Andrews voiced her concern on voting in favor of recommending Andrew Gottlieb without seeing the contract between him and Barnstable County first. Copies of the draft contract were distributed to all board members present.

Sean Summers addressed Andrew Gottlieb and asked where he saw the Collaborative in a year. Mr. Gottlieb responded by explaining his intent to hone in on and explain to the Legislatures/Congressmen/Public the Collaborative's message and what the role of the County is.

Mr. Summers inquired on Mr. Gottlieb's plan and how he's going to introduce the funding. Mr. Gottlieb stated that he needed to develop a strategy first before going and knocking on doors asking for money. He will be spending the next couple of months organizing.

Discussion among various board members continued regarding funding.

Paul Niedzwiecki asked for any other discussion on the board's recommendation of Andrew Gottlieb? No response.

Motion to have the board recommend Andrew Gottlieb as Consultant for Professional Services to the County Commissioners.
2nd by Gene Tully Approved by all.

At 9:20 a.m. Andrew Gottlieb, John Hinckley and John O'Brien excused themselves to attend the County Commissioners meeting.

- 3) Budget – Paul Niedzwiecki recommended to go forward with Planning Grants in the amount of \$75,000. He asked Peggy Fantozzi if there was any response from Mark Zielinski.

Peggy Fantozzi – The response from Mr. Zielinski was the County has no money but is very supportive of the Collaborative's efforts. He did identify \$150,000 that has been appropriated but not been used.

- 4) RFP for Regional Wastewater Plan – Paul Niedzwiecki explained that the RFP has been available for quite some time. The Collaborative has received comments back from the TAC after the 2/14/07 meeting and is working on incorporating those comments into the RFP. No action by the Board will be taken again today. Expecting to finalize RFP at next months Governing Board Meeting. Members of TAC will be invited to discuss their comments with board members.

9:32 a.m. Andrew Gottlieb, John Hinckley and John O'Brien returned from meeting with the County Commissioners.

- 5) Reports, Announcements and Updates – Paul Niedzwiecki announced that the TAC is requesting guidance from the Governing Board on what they want the TAC to do. Governing Board needs to establish a workplan/agenda for the next 12 months and send to TAC. Steering Committee will draft and send to the Governing Board for approval.

Motion to open up process of each subcommittee taking Minutes at all meetings and circulating to all other board members, subcommittees and staff.

Moved by Cheryl Andrews, 2nd by Gene Tully, Approved by all.

Stephanie Ostapowich asked members of the Board if draft minutes should be distributed to the other committees before being approved by them. Peggy Fantozzi stated that they are public records and should be distributed. Consensus from all board members.

Legislative Subcommittee Update – John Hinckley said there was nothing new to report.

Resource Subcommittee Update – Peggy Fantozzi said that her updates were already included in the Budget discussion. She thanked Sue Rask from the County's Department of Health and Environment for completing and submitting the Smart Growth Grant.

Education Subcommittee Update – Jack Barnes gave an update on the upcoming WBNERR workshop in April. He circulated the brochure that will be going out.

Tom Cambareri from the Cape Cod Commission gave an update on his ongoing projects.

Motion to adjourn at 10:02 a.m. Moved by Peggy Fantozzi, 2nd by Gene Tully, Approved by all.