

**Town of Tamworth
Groundwater Protection Ordinance (GPO) Committee
Minutes
6 PM, November 19, 2021**

1. The meeting was called to order, 6 PM by Sheldon.

Committee members present: Sheldon Perry, Kit Morgan, Randall Dearborn, Jeremy Philips.
From the public: David Little

2. Approval of minutes from the 9/15/21 meeting: Approved without changes 3-0, Jeremy abstained.

3. Scheduling of future meetings. Plus 4. Include timelines:

2021

- **Friday, 12/17 at 9:30 AM-** Identify allies (public wells, public venues, businesses dependent on clean water, etc.), businesses within sensitive areas (SE Tamworth) and other key players. Plan outreach and implementation.

2022

- **Friday, 1/21 at 9:30 AM-** Implementation of outreach to allies and key players. Begin the formulation of the Ordinance.
- **Friday, 2/18 at 9:30 AM-** Assessment of outreach to allies and key players. Formulation of the Ordinance.
- **Friday, 3/18 at 9:30 AM-** Fine tuning of the Ordinance with professional assistance (legal, other.)
- **Friday, 4/15 at 9:30 AM-** Continued fine tuning of ordinance with professional assistance.
- **Monday, 5/23 at 6 PM-** Planning and discussions, as needed.
- **Tuesday, 6/28 at 6 PM-** Plan the implementation of the education and outreach program(s).
- **Tuesday, 7/26 at 6 PM-** Implementation of the education and outreach program(s). Prepare Ordinance for presentation to the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen.

The Planning Board is presented the proposed Ordinance at their 7/27 meeting and schedules Public Hearing #1, by mid-September.

The Board of Selectmen is presented the proposed Ordinance at their 7/28 BOS meeting.

- **Tuesday, 8/30 at 6 PM-** Implementation of the education and outreach program(s). Adjust Ordinance based on Planning Board and BOS input in preparation for Public Hearing #1.

The Planning Board holds Public Hearing #1 (mid-September) and schedules Public Hearing #2 in mid-October, as needed

- **Tuesday, 9/27 at 6 PM-** Implementation of the education and outreach program(s). Adjust Ordinance based on Public Hearing #1.

The Planning Board holds Public Hearing #2 by mid-October, as needed.

- **Tuesday, 10/25 at 6 PM-** Finalize the Ordinance based on Public Hearing #2. Prepare Ordinance for final approval by the Planning Board.

The Planning Board approves final version of the Ordinance for the Warrant Article at their 11/16 meeting.

5. There was an appreciation of Randall's significant effort to create a spreadsheet of TEDC's business listings. There was a brief discussion of Sheldon letter- needs work!
6. Action items for next meeting:
 - **Kit-** Produce summary of the difference from the previous state model Ordinance to the current version.
 - **Jeremy and Randall-** From the spreadsheet (and beyond): Who are our allies? What businesses obviously rely on clean water? What businesses are likely to "push back"? Identify key players in sensitive areas (SE Tamworth).
 - **Sheldon-** Contact the following:
 - Melissa Donaldson for taking minutes as her schedule permits.
 - Albany Planning Board for potential collaboration and insights.
 - Jay Buckley in Madison for potential collaboration of education and PR.
 - Ned Beecher for involvement- feedback, vetting and suggestions.
7. Next meeting: December 17. (May it be short and sweet!)
8. Adjournment: 7:45 PM

Submitted by Sheldon Perry.