NHWPCA November 14, 2014 BOD Meeting Minutes

Attendees: John Adie, Noelle Osborne, Tim Vadney, Ken Conaty, Fred McNeill, Elizabeth Harrington

Guests: None

The Meeting was held at the Nashua WWTF and started at 10:10 a.m.

Comments on the October 17, 2014 Minutes: Tim Vadney made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Ken Conaty. Vote was unanimous to accept.

POTY Award

May need new trophy. $100 to put new name plate on existing trophy. $225 for replacement trophy. John to email Dave to go ahead with new trophy with bigger base, room for extra names (approx. 30), transfer old names to new trophy. Saymore Trophy in Concord.

Winter Meeting

George Neil to attend Winter Meeting and play Santa.

Contact Linda and Nancy to confirm their attendance. John to do.

Spring Meeting

Peter continues to work on contract for the meeting. Deposit to be issued by Noelle. To be held again in Manchester on April 9. Rooms now available for breakout technical sessions, need to have speakers. Sign off sheet for vendors, contact hours for that? MaryJane may just give all attending a few CEUs.

Poster Contest

Dave Mercier has a candidate in mind to take over the contest who will work with Geri. John to remain involved. John to mention contest at the Winter Meeting and
try to get volunteers for the Communications Committee. Harry Stewart retired from DES. Gene Forbes replaced Harry Stewart; contact Gene to discuss. John to follow up.

**Legislative Breakfast**

Tim and Peter to attend. John to verify March 25th is the date. Fritz Wetherbee? Fred to open discussion. Other possible bodies in the seats?

Save the date cards for the Legislative Breakfast, to be mailed. Elizabeth to follow through after the holidays.

**Permit Symposium**

Took a year off, information didn’t change. Perhaps every 3 years?

**Golf Tournament**

First Thursday in August (8/6/2015).

**Website**

Cleaning up the website. Job openings, check/make phone call, 2 week limit unless otherwise instructed. Renewal link is still from the 2014 year.

**Association Name Change**

Paperwork went out. Membership closes March 31. Need 2/3 vote to approve changes.

**Green Eggs Breakfast**

Should we sponsor? NHWPCA or new name? Fred brought this to Board’s attention. General feeling is new name should go through.

**Fall Meeting**

50/50 Raffle from Fall Meeting, find out if LCS or Maher (Paul Sussman) group sent in checks? Two people won and need checks, who to pay and how much? Kevin may know who to pay.

Treasurer form for reimbursement; Noelle to follow up and create form.

**Membership**

A lot of memberships and checks are coming in right now.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEWEA State Director’s Report: Fred

Fred to sponsor operator reception at NEWEA conference in January. Fred to send information to Noelle and Elizabeth; Noelle to issue check.

NEWEA Awards - Association to pay for membership, Fred to fill out membership form Harry Stewart and Ken Noyes. Add line on form to verify membership? Harder to find awardees, communities would not pay. Discussion ensued regarding Association awarding membership along with the NEWEA award?

NEWEA Spring Meeting is in NH at Bretton Woods on June 7-10. Should we take any leadership role? At least offer? Fred to contact, offer the Association support. Perhaps Peter to make a few remarks there? Welcome to the state, etc. Perhaps sponsorship for room for award winner or presenter.

NEWEA is looking for touchy feely story for website? Fred to look through past collectors. Operator ingenuity award, Tim working on this, anything exciting to report? Nominations?

Activities: Noelle

Committee liaison - Noelle was voted in at last meeting. Mike Theriault is Chair. Make Mike aware of the June 7-10 dates. Maybe separate them a little?? Tail end of June, if possible, to get the most attendance as possible.

Communications: Kristin
Kristin? Dave? Twitter/ Facebook

Education: Andrea

No report.

Legislative: Peter

No report.

Membership: John

Over 340 members in 2014. Where will we be in 2015??

Newsletter: Kurt

No report.

Permit: Peter
Issue on the seacoast. Manchester and Merrimack both received their permits.

**Safety: Ken**

Class sold out in Franklin on Basic Electrical on November 19.

**Scholarship: Tim**

No new developments. Revising program to target differently, not just freshmen. Need to be children of members for priority and to have a link to wastewater (any engineering program, biology, science.

**Ops Challenge: Tim**

Ops Challenge, looking for team. Paula and Tim discussing.

**Certification: Kevin**

No report.

**Nominations: ?? ??**

Kurt needs to stay! We need director-at-large. WHO? Board discussed potential nominees. Time commitment is 1 meeting a month, perhaps ½ day a month in emails and paperwork.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. upon motion made by Tim Vadney and seconded by Ken Conaty.

Next meeting date to be announced after winter meeting. Email to coordinate everything else, Peter to announce next meeting.