

Minutes for New Ipswich Pipeline Task Force 25 Jun 2015

Attendees

Task Force members in attendance included Wendy Juchnevics-Freeman, Maria Szmauz, Karen Miller, and Sam Matthews.

There were no invited guests in attendance and no public attendees were present.

Minutes from 18 Jun 2015 were approved

Municipal Coalition Letter to Governor

Need to present to Selectmen for signature on 30 Jun 2015

Task Force Letter to Senator Shaheen, hand delivered 22 Jun 2015

- Letter has been withdrawn
- Members agreed that all future letters would come before the Task Force
- All decisions of consequence need to be made by Task Force as a group, not any individual, and must be discussed at a public meeting with decisions consequently made by the Task Force. If the situation is imminent, a special meeting should be called.

Letters to FERC

- Discussed letters we would like the BOS to send to FERC with copies to Governor and Senators
 - Scoping Meeting in New Ipswich
 - Compressor Station notifications were not timely to New Ipswich residents; not enough time before Scoping Meeting
 - Third-party preparation of Environmental documents as allowed by FERC rules (Guidance Manual for Environmental Report Preparation, Section 5.0)

Scoping Meeting schedule in Milford

Mark Bender, Milford Town Administrator announced FERC has reserved the Milford Town Hall on 30 July 2015 at 7pm.

Bob Boynton's Presentation

- Still needs to be scheduled for evening Selectmen's Meeting
- Received Bob's vacation dates from Joanne
- Not sure if we're supposed to schedule or if Joanne is working

Rights Based Ordinance

- We have been invited to listen in on a conference call being conducted by the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund (CELDF) on Wednesday, 1 July at 7pm concerning a Rights Based Ordinance
- Task Force is unfamiliar with such an ordinance and will listen in as the first order of business at next meeting
- If we fill this is pertinent to New Ipswich, we will pass information along to the Planning Board

Next Task Force meeting will be held on Wednesday, 1 July at 7pm

Wendy will send note to Joanne asking her to post the meeting and include the meeting on the Sign in front of the Town Offices

Intervener Status with FERC

Maria learned that no one can apply for Intervener Status until after filing

Deny Access to Public Property

- Other towns are denying access to public property based on ordinances that restrict and require permitting for surveying, etc. that could potentially cause workmen to be in the rights of way.
- Wendy will ask the Selectmen if there is any existing ordinance in New Ipswich that would allow the BOS to Kinder Morgan access to public property.

Disseminate Information to New Ipswich Residents

- Ask Selectmen to review citizens website, www.Newipswichpipeline.info, to see if a link from the front page of the Town's website would be appropriate, given no way to create a Pipeline Page on the Town website
- Ask Selectmen if we could place "Empowerment Packets" in the Town Office lobby under the bulletin board
- Empowerment packet needs to be assembled into a single pdf for consistency and printing ease; will ask Patricia to assist

Municipal Coalition Meeting 30 Jun

- Maria and Patricia will attend 30 Jun meeting in Brookline
- Request assistance from Attorney Kanoff for interpretation of Guidance Manual for Environmental Report Preparation, Section 2.0, Landowner Notification. Specifically, determine if those affected by the Compressor Station were properly notified.

Scoping Meeting Preparation

NRI Attachments are not available on the Town's website; ask Joanne where to get them.

The Meeting was adjourned.