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Minutes for New Ipswich Pipeline Task Force 7-9-15

Call to Order

The meeting of the New Ipswich Pipeline Task Force was held on July 9, 2015 at the New Ipswich Town Offices located at 661 Turnpike Rd, New Ipswich, NH 03071. The meeting was open to the public and posted through the town office with the required 24 hours notice to the public. It began at 7:00 pm.

Attendees

Task Force members in attendance included Wendy Juchnevics-Freeman, Sam Matthews, Sebastian Barthelmess, and Patricia Canaday. Sebastian announced that we would have to leave the meeting at 7:30.

There were no invited guests in attendance.

Three public attendees were present, Peg Viglione, John L, and Carol Blaise.

General Pipeline Questions from the Public

The three public attendees asked general questions about the nature of the proposed pipeline project and the timeline of events. Wendy answered each question and gave a brief overview of the Scoping Meeting process.

Do Action Item

It was decided that the New Ipswich Planning Board should be contacted regarding the Citizen Bill of Rights. Wendy will reach out to Liz Freeman and Sebastian will reach out to Ed Decker.

Minutes from the Last Meeting

The minutes from the last Task Force Meeting were reviewed and approved with corrections.

FERC Updates

Wendy will find out when Joanne sent the letter from the Board of Selectmen to FERC. This letter was requesting a Scoping Meeting be scheduled in New Ipswich.

Wendy provided task force members with copies of a letter drafted to FERC regarding a Request for Third-Party Environmental Document Preparation - Docket No. PF-14-22, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co., Northeast Energy Direct Proposal. This letter is addressed to Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from the three members of the New Ipswich Board of Selectmen. The purpose of the letter is to, "respectfully request the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission give serious consideration to utilizing Guidance Manual for Environmental Report Preparation (ERPMAN), Section 5.0 Preparation of Third Party Environmental Documents." The letter will be presented to the New Ipswich Board of Selectmen for their signatures.

Do Action

Sam will contact Charlie Moser from Mason, NH to ask how they determined the amount the town chose to spend on their environmental impact studies.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Resource Reports

Wendy has not been able to find the Resource Reports said to have been filed by Tennessee Gas Pipeline in May, 2015. She will continue to research this in the coming week and will reach out to Tad Putney of Brookline for input. Wendy will also visit the Mason website created by Garth Fletcher to look for links to these reports.

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Report on Coalition Meeting with Congresswoman Annie Kuster

Sam gave a report on the Municipal Coalition's meeting with Congresswoman Annie Kuster, which took place on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at her Concord, NH office. Sam and Patricia were in attendance representing New Ipswich. Congresswoman Kuster seemed engaged and asked the group several times what she can do to help the Coalition efforts. She has hopes of attending the Scoping Meeting in late July if her schedule permits. She also hopes to visit Temple Elementary School as well as the New Ipswich compressor station site. The Coalition asked Congresswoman Kuster to join with the other New Hampshire Delegates in a collective FERC request with MA and NY. The Coalition believes that a united approach on the part of the affected-states' delegates will have a greater impact on FERC's ultimate decision regarding the NED project.

Pipeline Opposition Efforts Update

Sam shared that additional large signs are being created and placed at key locations in New Ipswich, such as Windblown.

The Survey to Affected Landowners is complete and ready for assembly and distribution. Sam will send a copy of the New Ipswich Affected Landowner Survey to representatives of the towns of Mason, Temple, and Greenville in case they would like to use it as a template for similar surveys in their towns.

Patricia shared that a Pipeline Resistance member has offered to place Scoping Meeting banners on the Milford Oval in his highly-visible commercial spaces.

Sam will be attending a letter-writing seminar in Londonderry next week.

Patricia will reach out to Woody Meizner to be sure he knows about the next Municipal Coalition meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2015.

Pipeline Citizen Empowerment Packet

Patricia will get copies of the proposed Pipeline Citizen Empowerment Packet to Task Force Members for comment before having it prepared in a final PDF version for the New Ipswich town website.

Next New Ipswich Pipeline Task Force Meeting

The Task Force will meet again on Thursday, July 16, 2015 evenings at 7:00 at the New Ipswich Town Offices.

The Meeting was adjourned.

Patricia Canaday July 17, 2015

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Keeper of the Minutes
New Ipswich Pipeline Task Force

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Date of Approval

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