Approved Minutes Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee September 27, 2022 Meeting Pease Public Library Plymouth, NH

Members Present:

Ashland: Kathleen DeWolfe **Bridgewater:** Judy Faran **Bristol:** Max Stamp

Campton: Suellen Skinner, Sherrill Howard

Holderness: Carl Lerner Lincoln: OJ Robinson

New Hampton: Barry Draper

Plymouth: William Bolton, Lisa Doner, Neil McIver

Thornton: Myrtle Lewis, Katri Gurney **Woodstock:** James Chesebrough

At Large: Tyson Morrill

LRPC: David Jeffers, Matt Rose

Guests Present:

Members of the general public were present

- 1. Quorum established and meeting called to order by Judy Faran at 6:38 PM, along with introduction of attendees
- 2. Approval of minutes from our August 30, 2022 meeting: Suellen motioned, Sherrill seconded. Bill made an amendment to strike some language. All members voted approval of the amended minutes.
- 3. Pemi River Campground Expansion Thornton: Thornton's Planning Board met on September 15th and the Board agreed that any activity that was to be undertaken within the proposed project was indeed in the floodplain and the application was withdrawn. Should the project be reintroduced, it would have to obtain the appropriate permit applications from DES. Other comments that were made by members of PRLAC were that the powerlines were anchored in seriously eroded banks, and that the campground was likely in violation of formation and adherence of a campground hazard mitigation plan.
- 4. Permit Applications: None received, but Max described a violation of DES Rules on the Pemi River in Bristol, where a building lot was being clear-cut along the River, and there was no plan that was submitted to DES.
- 5. Suellen motioned, and Bill seconded to end the business meeting at 7:10 PM in order to start the Management Plan Revision Kick-off Presentation.
- 6. **Pemi River Management Plan Revision Kick-off Presentation**: The Corridor Management Plan is like a Master Plan for a community, but this is for the river, and intended to be the guiding document for action along the river as well as documentation of what the various resources are along the river to include dams, scenic vistas, power lines, etc. Some of the recommendations

from the old management plan may no longer be relevant, and are updated and added to. There may also have been changes in the river itself, and needs.

PRLAC received a grant from NH DES to assist us in the update process, to include:

- an inventory of the resources within the watershed
- a description of the laws and regulations governing the watershed
- community input towards managing the watershed, and
- recommendations made by PRLAC representatives

LRPC staff, David Jeffers (djeffers@lakesrpc.org) and Matt Rose (mrose@lakesrpc.org), led a presentation to PRLAC members and visitors that described the process of updating the Pemi River Corridor Management Plan. As part of the presentation, the scope of work was outlined as were the timeline objectives. If you were unable to attend the meeting and would like to view the presentation, click here.

Additionally, participants were provided with a survey which would allow for their input on the management plan update. If you would like to participate in the survey and have your voice be heard, click here: Public Input Survey.

Use the following links to view other documents that were provided as part of the presentation: Pemi River Fact Sheet, Pemi River Map, Handout Sheet.

7. The Pemi Corridor Management Plan Update ended at 8:15