

Kevin

John

James Goodheart

Jim McD

Mike O

Bob T

Harris

Dave Williams

Art H

Larkin Dam Recap

Fred – DMF person gave presentation Newbury Selectman's meeting. Want to remove the Larkin Dam, second lowest on Parker. Selectmen hesitant, but concerns financial. Fix dam and ladder or take it out. No decision or discussion of resolution or next steps.

Board Committees

Banquet

John LeJeune

Bob T

Ken

Mike O

Membership

Ken Washburn

Harris

Jim McD

Meetings

Dave Williams

Bob – bucket raffle for meetings.

Dave W.

Art Howe

Events (Film Tour, Paddle, Casting Clininc.

Dave Williams

Tim T

Tom Schultz

Outreach/PR

Harris

Fred J.

Tim

Food

John LeJeune

Art Howe

Mike O

Conservation/Stream Cleanup

Fred Jennings

James

Mike O

Jim McD

Mass/RI Council Rep

Art Howe

Fred Jennings

Strategic Planning

Fred Jennings volunteered.

Chapter Focus

Sylvania Dam – longer term focus is to remove this dam. We are one player among many. What the chapter needs to do: PR, be available to support it. Organize stakeholders meetings. Get speakers/experts to exert influence. Ebsco needs to remediate if dam removed. Jim – at some point the river bottom above the dam would need to be mapped. We can do this. Ledge right above the dam. Dam built around 1870. Next step secondary feasibility study. Not yet funded.

James – public outreach needed.

Salters- anecdotal evidence of salters in the parker, Ipswich, Merrimack. Ox Pasture Brook possible. More concerted effort needed to document stream conditions, etc. James- Merrimack maybe to big to deal with.

Steve Gross – Shawsheen guy.

Dave W – can we partner with other chapters. NH also trying to establish salters.

Kevin to write up 2 paragraphs on these projects.

Film Tour

Operate at slight loss. FLY may contribute. Unanimous. Tom to spearhead. Need to pick Date

Bearsden running in Somerville. Feb 13.

Kevin to ask First Light for some raffle stuff.

Signup Table – free TShirt / hat for signups.

Newburyport Waterfront

James Goodheart. Newb Redev Auth... addressing areas in disrepair. Own 4 acres on waterfront (park.) Want to put in 2 large buildings – condos, restaurants, shops. Citizens for Open Waterfront competing plan – keep it as a park with parking... funding landscape... Can we endorse?

James to get Mission Statement. Handed out flyer. Adding link to chapter website. Need more information from COWs.

Voted not to bring it to an up or down vote.

Two IWRA work days

Art Howe discussed success of past work days that were well attended. Kevin- if we can get more events. Chett Walsh should be on it. Jim to let us know if two days needed. Late April worked good.

Speaker/Coordinator Committee

Ted Upton from cheeky- reel mfg. Has his own film tour.

Andy Danilchuk – catch and release – is it right?

Kalik Bogdan – Orvis guide of year 2012

Mary Weiss – women in TU

Emily Shea – (Orvis ff mgr) Flyfishing Alaska

Jim Mccarty – Nashua river

Red Brook Lyman Estate – video.

Jim Norton

Owner of North Country Angler – white mountains.

Important to book up speakers ahead.

Women's Coordinator

Not ready for this, as we need to drum up more women members. TT maybe get Mary Weiss here and publicize – Art... her time is tight maybe better used at MA/RI council meeting.

New and inactive member

Ideas for outreach...

Strategic Planning process

Bristol Bay Letter

Approved to endorse letter

Chapter Business Card

Dave Williams. Chapter card with scannable QR code. Unanimous. No cost to generating the code...approved up to \$100.

Collaborating w/ Other Chapters

Collaborate with Great Bay on Salters, etc. GBTU very eager.

Newsletter

Dave W—we each contribute an article. Fly of the month.

JLJ to do social media.