

Brownfields Steering Committee

May 11, 2011

Meeting Notes

A meeting of the CMRPC Brownfields Steering Committee was held on May 11, 2011 at the CMRPC offices. The meeting started at 5:00 PM.

Present: Al Lanni (Southbridge) Adam Burney (Auburn)
Terry Cummings (Oxford) Roberta Brien (WBDC)
Jeff Schaaf (Hardwick) Kristen Garza (Worcester)

Staff members present: Megan DiPrete, Ryan Lundergan

Also present: Fuss & O'Neill – David Foss and John Chambers

Minutes:

Motion by Mr. Schaaf to approve the minutes of March 9, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Burney the motion carried unanimously.

Program Overview:

Ms. DiPrete indicated that the portion of the grant budget that was allocated for the CMRPC staff management hours had been expended. The overall program budget is on track and consistent with what was specified in the original application to EPA. CMRPC may request a budget amendment to reallocate funds from the “consulting” budget line item to the CMRPC staff line item. To date, the CMRPC assessment program has completed 9 Phase I ESA’s. In addition, others are in the pipeline, and two Phase II ESA’s are being scheduled. This is consistent with the overall program budget and objectives. The EPA has been consistently complimentary of the CMRPC program approach and progress. CMRPC anticipates preparation of an application for an additional EPA Assessment Grant prior to the fall 2011 deadline. Mr. Foss and Mr. Chambers indicated that Fuss & O’Neill is prepared to assist with that effort.

Review of Work in Progress:

- a. Mr. Foss reviewed the two **new nominations** pending before the Steering Committee.

- Barre: 116 Main Street – After discussion, motion by Mr. Burney to submit a request for determination of eligibility to EPA and pursue a Phase I ESA for the site. Seconded by Mr. Schaaf, the motion carried unanimously.
 - Brookfield: 6 Central Street – After discussion, motion by Mr. Schaaf to submit a request for determination of eligibility to EPA and pursue a Phase I ESA for the site. Seconded by Mr. Burney, the motion carried unanimously
 - Brookfield update – 3,5,7 Prouty Street. Mr. Foss and Ms. DiPrete provided an update on this site. Previously authorized by the Steering Committee, it appears that negotiations for the town and the property owner have been challenging, and site access has not been authorized at this time.
- b. Mr. Foss reviewed the Phase I ESA's in process.
- Hardwick – 179 Main Street has just been completed. Two REC's were reviewed. No action was necessary.
- c. Mr. Foss and Ms. DiPrete reviewed the Phase II ESA's in process
- Brookfield: 15 Post Road – CMRPC is awaiting receipt of signed access agreements from the property owners and also owners of downgradient properties where additional assessment is proposed to characterize the nature and extent of contamination
 - North Brookfield: 185 North Main Street – CMRPC is awaiting receipt of signed access agreements from the property owners and also the owner of a downgradient property where additional assessment is proposed to characterize the nature and extent of contamination.

Schedule

The Steering Committee agreed to continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of odd numbered months. Next meetings are anticipated to be held at 5 pm on July 13, September 14, and November 9.

Additional Information

The Steering Committee suggested utilizing the “Our Town” section of local newspapers to advertise upcoming outreach meetings in the communities.

MOTION by Mr. Burney to adjourn at 6:45. Seconded by Mr. Schaaf the motion carried unanimously.