



TOWN OF BOW

Drinking Water Protection Committee

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Approved as presented on October 5, 2020

MEETING MINUTES – September 14, 2020

A virtual meeting was held via Zoom meeting software. Ms. Klevens read the online meeting checklist and performed roll call. Attendees: Cindy Klevens (Chair), Wendy Waskin, Madhumita Chatterjee and Jordan Vachon. Members Blake Hooper, Chris Culberson, and Matt Taylor were excused. Alvina Snegach recorded the minutes.

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES were reviewed and approved as presented with a motion made by Ms. Klevens and a second by Ms. Waskin followed by a roll call vote: Ms. Klevens – yes; Ms. Waskin – yes; Ms. Vachon – yes.

TASKS FROM AUGUST 2020 MEETING

Ms. Klevens

Finalize and send Water Conservation regulations summary developed by Ms. Waskin to Town Manager and Emergency Response Director. **Completed.** Ms. Klevens sent the summary to both and received confirmation of receipt from the Emergency Response Director.

Ms. Vachon

Look into and share results of the NHDES VLAP monitoring at Turee Pond. **Completed.** Ms. Vachon summarized the data which indicate higher than the state average chlorides and conductivity and went over other resources for the public to review. Members discussed the significance of the elevated levels of chloride in both Turee Pond and the Municipal Wells, confirming a larger issue with salt contamination in the aquifer.

Ms. Snegach

- Post the committee's summary report on Lead in Drinking Water Testing at Schools and Daycares on the Town Website – **Continued.**
- Post NHDES Drought Advisory on the Town Website - **Completed.**

Mr. Culberson

Share results thus far for conductivity, sodium and chloride monitoring for Bow Municipal Wells – **Continued.**

NEW BUSINESS

- Drought Advisory recommendations and communications

Advisories have been published on both the Town website and Facebook page. Members discussed additional outreach options.

- June Private Well Testing results

Ms. Klevens summarized the test results for the 2020 testing event (53 samples). Results are consistent with prior years showing over half of wells with Arsenic above the new state standard of 5 ppb, and close to half with Radon above the guidance level of 4,000 pCi/L. Ms. Klevens will prepare a summary for posting to the Town webpage.* Ms. Vachon will review the BDWPC webpage to recommend updates and improvements.*

- Annual Report to Selectboard

Ms. Klevens will attend the annual meeting with the Board of Selectmen on September 22nd and requested input from members on what should be reported. Ms. Klevens will start drafting the annual written report (due in January) for members to add their input.*

Next Meeting is **October 5, 2020 at 5:30 pm.**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.