

CANOE RIVER AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2009

Minutes of the meeting held by the Canoe River Aquifer Advisory Committee on Thursday, August 6th at 1:00 pm at Norton Town Hall, 70 East Main St., Norton, MA.

Members Present: Wayne Southworth, Easton; John Fresh, Easton; Bob Boette, Foxboro; Joan Sozio, Foxboro; Ed Tartufo, Mansfield; Leonard Flynn, Mansfield; Jennifer Carlino, Norton.

- I. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by Wayne Southworth.
- II. **Review Minutes of June 4, 2009** – John Fresh made a motion, seconded by Leonard Flynn, to accept the minutes as written. All were in favor.
- III. **Open Space Map & Greenbelt Area Update** – There were not any new projects for the Greenbelt.
- IV. **SRF Program** – David DeLorenzo of DEP described the SRF Program as a State revolving fund for water/wastewater I infrastructure projects. There is a 2% rate on a loan that competes with the current 0% loans elsewhere. Members discussed the O’Leary bill and that nutrient loads are not just an issue for the Cape. It may be part of the next SRF round. Grants and loans will focus on the regional and most efficient projects for a return on the State’s investment.

Members recounted the creation of the Mansfield Wastewater Plant in Norton that discharges to the Three Mile River in Norton. They discussed ideas on funding infrastructure projects and interbasin transfer regulations that may inhibit a truly regional project. Plymouth has a split discharge, surface and ground, similar to the new proposal for the tri-town regional plant expansion in Norton.

The issue of pharmaceuticals in the water was discussed as a growing problem. Members discussed that economic areas are likely to receive funding like things like sewer before more environmentally sensitive areas to help bring back the economy and then the State should require that the environmental areas to be addressed.

V. New Business – There was no new business to discuss.

VI. Old Business – There was no old business to discuss.

The meeting was adjourned by Wayne Southworth at 2:00 pm. The next meeting will be held Thursday, September 3, 2009, at Mansfield Town Hall at 1:00 PM.