

## MEETING MINUTES

### Goosefare Brook Restoration Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm • Saco City Hall Auditorium, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

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#### Attendees:

Joe Laverriere, City of Saco  
Kristin Feindel, ME DEP  
Whitney Baker, YCSWCD  
Joe Cooper, Town of OOB  
Bob Fox, OOB ConComm  
Peter Newkirk, ME DOT  
Taylor Labrecque, ME DOT  
John Daigle, OOB Campground

#### ➤ Project Management

- Progress Report due November 15, 2018
- Updated match spreadsheet – Whitney will be sending current match spreadsheet and a blank match spreadsheet to the group. Project partners please review existing match and try to fill in the gaps as much as possible with your time and mileage.
- Project Extension – Saco will be submitting a project extension request to ME DEP for a formal project extension through to December 31, 2019. This will allow for construction of the final SWR project replacing SWR 11A, more time for landowner outreach and installation of buffer site B12, and potentially additional cost-share projects utilizing the Private Property Stormwater matching grants Program (Task 6).
- Phase II Grant awarded – Old Orchard Beach (grantee) will take the lead on GFB Restoration Project, Phase II. Estimated project start date January 2019 – December 2020. Restoration Committee will remain the same moving forward (Phase I and Phase II will run concurrently in 2019).

#### ➤ Project Task Status

- Stormwater Retrofits (SWRs) – 4 out of 5 SWR projects constructed. 2 in 2017, and 1 in 2018. OOB's SWR site is designed and out for bid for construction. Planned for completion this year. The remaining Saco SWR site (SWR 11A Alternate) is planned for Spring 2019.
- Grant Amendment – Bear Brook Culvert Removal & Buffer Restoration project received an additional \$18,000 in grant funds (\$12K match) and was completed in October 2018.
- Stream Buffer and Erosion Sites – 2 of 4 buffer sites completed. 1 buffer enhancement with live stakes is planned for November 2018. Remaining buffer site is designed and permits have been acquired, but project staff have been unsuccessful in connecting with the landowner. Work will continue at this site given the project extension through 2019. 2 of 3 erosion sites have been address with the remaining site planned for installation with live stakes in November 2018.

- Private Property Stormwater Retrofit Matching Grants – Margaret Murphy School in Saco utilized funds as part of the matching grant program. Total project cost ~\$30K using about \$4K in grant funding. Discussion of possibly offer a higher percentage of project cost to property owners in the next grant phase.
- OOB Ordinance Development – Update from Megan Mclaughlin, OOB Associate Planner. This task will be carried forward in Phase II grant project.
- Education and Outreach
  - Storm Drain stenciling (5/31/2018, 6/1/2018 & 6/6/2018) – Whitney and TA science students of Bobbie Rausch and Mrs. Wiggins conducted storm drain stenciling in the King Street and Clark Street Neighborhoods near TA on three dates. Entire storm network in these areas is stenciled.
  - Stream Cleanup Day (5/12/2018) – Successful cleanup efforts in both Saco and OOB. 18 bags of trash, LOTS of tires, and two piles of large miscellaneous debris was collected. Thanks to all that participated!
  - Signs at stream crossings and retrofit – Signs are currently in production. 9 road crossings were selected for sign installation. High priority to crossing with a lot of foot traffic and/or have a traffic light where folks in cars will see the sign. City of Saco to provide posts and hardware as match for this task.
  - In-class watershed model & FocalPoint planting (10/3/2018) – Whitney presented to Bobbie Rausch' science class with a watershed model (enviroscape. Students then made a short fieldtrip to the FocalPoint site on Fairfield Street to install the plantings completing this site.
- Updates on Other Watershed Efforts – Peter Newkirk updated the group on the potential ME DOT project at the Saco Park and Ride lot on Industrial Park Road. If funded, it could provide a great amount of project match of either phase I or Phase II projects. The proposed work expands the lot but moves it away from Goosefare Brook and includes a bioretention device to treat stormwater runoff from the entire paved area.