

BELGRADE AREA DAMS COMMITTEE
MEETING October 17, 2016 4:00 PM

Attending were: Doug McCafferty, Tom Bennett, Jack Schultz, Tim Comeford, Craig Alexander, Don Borman, Carrie Castonguay and Secretary Dick Greenan.

Meeting called to order by Chairman, Doug McCafferty at 4:00pm at the Belgrade Town office.

1. Tim made a motion to approve the September minutes with a 2nd by Doug. With no changes suggested, minutes unanimously approved.
2. Carrie presented the current Dams profit and loss and expenses reports.
3. Regarding current Dams levels: Doug stated that Salmon was 1' 6/10" below full pond, or 1/10 below max winter storage level. Tim stated GP was at 12.6" below full. Dick stated LP at Wings Mill was 20.28" below full. All gates remain completely closed.
4. Keeping in mind the Fall Lake Drawdown & Winter Storage requirements, Doug proposed that we continue the current strategy of keeping all gates closed considering the current relative lack of precipitation and adjust as the weather deems necessary. Unanimously approved.
5. Doug distributed the Knowles KISC Quote dtd. 10/7/16 for discussion. Dick presented a video of current Village spillway leakage. Tim to contact the State DOT for their recommendations and a possible 2nd repair quotation. Tim and Dick stated that the leak is not threatening the dam structure.
6. Carrie suggested that repair quotes be in by January 2017 to be included in the 2017 Town Articles.
7. Old Business: Regarding the Salmon Lake inspection, Doug stated the inspectors written Plan along with the Dam Operator's Plan should be expected soon. Doug stated that the filling of the multiple sink-holes with sand has been completed by the Town.
8. Regarding the 10" hatchery feed pipe from Salmon Lake, Doug stated that the pipe begins near the "No Wake" sign across from the boat ramp. Doug further discussed the issue with State Biologist Jason Siebert who will request State divers to inspect the pipe. Doug further stated that the 10" pipe is reduced at the hatchery to a 3" pipe and ends in a fountain etc. with a steady flow.
9. Doug re-stated that it is the opinion of the Dams Committee that the pipe's disposition is not under its authority but under the State's as the State labeled the pipe as a hazard

10. New Business: Doug stated that four beavers responsible for plugging the Salmon dam every night have been removed but one beaver remains and is plugging the ¼” space at the bottom of the dam every evening as confirmed daily by Doug.
11. Doug presented the recommendation of Gary Foss to level the access drive to the Wing Mills Dam. As the property is actually in Mt. Vernon, Carrie will contact Mt. Vernon for repairs. Belgrade does do the necessary plowing.
12. Dick to update the “Fall Lake Drawdown & Winter Storage Activities bulletin for distribution to the respective Town Offices and websites.
13. The next Dams Committee meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 21st @ **4pm**. The December meeting is scheduled for Monday December 5th at 4pm to allow the Committee time to prepare the required Dams repair budgets for the respective Towns.
14. Doug made a motion to adjourn with a 2nd by Dick. Unanimously confirmed. Meeting adjourned at 4:41pm.