

BELGRADE AREA DAMS COMMITTEE
April 16th, 2018 @ 4:00 PM

Attending were: Chairman Doug McCafferty, Tim Comeford, Craig Alexander, Kerry Oliver, Jack Schultz, Town Mgr. Dennis Keschl, Selectman Mike Barrett and Secretary Dick Greenan.

Meeting called to order by Chmn. Doug McCafferty at 4:00pm at the Belgrade Town Office.

1. Dick made a motion to accept the March 2018 minutes with a 2nd by Doug. With no changes suggested, minutes unanimously approved.

2. Regarding current Dams levels: Doug stated that Salmon was opened 15 turns and at full pond. With the forecasted rain, Doug anticipates an opening to approximately 20 turns. Tim stated GP was 16.5” below full with Gate 1 opened 2.5’. Dick stated Wings Mill was 9” below full with both gates wide open to 5’.

3. For a current strategy, weather permitting, Doug proposed maintaining status quo with water levels until ice out. Unanimously approved.

4. Regarding Maintenance:
 - a. Dick stated that Joe Kacer of Commercial Divers, Inc. preferred to have the run off gone with low flows in order to commence inspection and repair of the Wings Mill dam.
 - b. Dick and Tim to coordinate removal of a log on the east shore upstream of the WM dam.
 - c. Doug, Tim and Dennis presented the Draft Permit proposal prepared by Al Hodsdon of A.E. Hodsdon Consulting Engineers. A motion was made by Dick with a 2nd by Tim to forward and submit the Permit to Al Hodsdon and the DEP. Doug to follow-up with Al.

5. The Town’s digital display “Dams open caution on (the) lakes” was removed on 4/12/18.

6. Dennis suggested that the Committee draft an article for the Belgrade June Newsletter. Dick to prepare the article.

7. Next regular monthly meeting scheduled for Monday, May 7th at 4pm.

8. Dick made motion to adjourn, 2nd by Jack, unanimously approved at 4:21pm.