Chairman Hanninen called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM in the Town Hall
Members present: Hanninen, Collette, Deuger, and Horowitz
Member absent: Schulman

MEETING WITH HONEYWELL
Ms. Kaouris presented the “Moving to Closure” Power Point slides dated November 15, 2016. She said the in-situ chemical oxidation is complete. However, the water quality in the monitoring well near the unnamed brook is an impediment to closure. Surface water quality fluctuates and they are looking at limited treatment to reduce concentrations in the soil and brook. The ecological risk assessment still must be done. They will continue to monitor groundwater and surface water quality. They have attained the goals for TCE and Chromium 6 (CR6) in groundwater as a result of injection of oxidants. Quarterly monitoring will continue in 2017. The CR6 goal has been achieved except for surface water in the unnamed brook.

Mr. Tull explained the process to reduce CR6 to CR3, but the CR6 in the well near the unnamed brook still fluctuates. They are remediating the area near the brook. Surface water impact must be tested and verified. Member Collette said there was a significant spill of chromic acid in the early 1970’s based upon testimony of residents and others.

Mr. Tull explained the risk closure approach including a Human Health Risk Assessment and an Ecological Risk Assessment as required by DEP. All GW-2 wells must meet current regulations. A “Permanent Solution” must be submitted to DEP for approval. Activity and Use Limitations (AUL) are required and will be recorded at the Registry of Deeds. The AUL’s will include conditions and prohibitions. No single-family homes, gardens, or swimming pools will be allowed, but multifamily housing will be permitted. The risk assessments, quarterly monitoring, and building removal should be completed in 2017. The site closure report and AUL’s should be completed in 2018.

Chairman Hanninen asked about the removal of contaminated soil near the brook. Mr. Tull said this area contains a sewer easement for the abutter. They may be able to remove soil from the trench, but it is much better to treat CR6 at the site by reducing it to CR3.

Member Deuger asked if there is residual contamination in the soil in this area. Mr. Tull said they would do a geo-probe to gain more information on the soils. Member Deuger asked the depth to bedrock. Mr. Tull said, “15 ft.” Member Deuger asked if the goal is to meet ambient water quality standards. Mr. Tull said, “yes.”

Member Horowitz asked if there are any animals grazing near the brook. Mr. Tull said there are none, and the brook has been dry. The brook does not have enough flow to support animals.

Member Collette requested that the draft AUL’s be reviewed by Town Counsel. Ms. Kaouris agreed.

The Committee requested that Mr. Tull provide a CD of the Power Point presentation. Ms. Kaouris said she would email the presentation to the Committee.
MINUTES
The motion was made by Horowitz, seconded by Collette, to approve the minutes of September 8, 2015. The motion passed with Hanninen, Horowitz, and Collette in favor; Deuger abstaining.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Collette
Member