

CONDUCTORLAB OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
JULY 28, 2017
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Chairman Hanninen called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM in the Town Hall

Members present: Robert Hanninen, Michelle Collette, Mark Deuger, Susan Horowitz, and Stuart Schulman

Others present: Maria Kaouris of Honeywell
LSP Kerry Tull of AMEC Foster Wheeler
Land Use Director Takashi Tada
Conservation Administrator Nik Gualco
Resident Judy Anderson

MEETING WITH HONEYWELL

Ms. Kaouris presented the "Moving to Closure" Power Point slides dated July 28, 2017. She said Honeywell will be applying for a building permit to demolish the groundwater treatment plant that was deactivated in March, 2012.

Ms. Kaouris said they are still sampling the groundwater and surface water in the unnamed brook. Water quality from the brook exceeds surface water standards for chromium. Groundwater samples from other wells on site and off site meet water quality standards for TCE and Cr6.

Mr. Tull said they have sampled building materials from the treatment plant to be demolished. There are no hazardous materials. However, the debris from the building will be disposed of at a waste facility site in Rochester, NH, and all materials will be treated as hazardous.

Mr. Tull said they are in Phase IV of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). Biannual reports are submitted to the Town and to MassDEP. The levels of TCE (14 ppm) and Cr6 (0.5 ppm) are well below the maximum of contaminant levels of 50 ppm for TCE and 3 ppm for Cr6. The goals must be achieved for four quarters. Mr. Tull said they have isolated two hot spots of Cr6 in wells near the unnamed brook. He noted that the standards are higher for surface water.

Member Deuger asked if the residual hot spots on site had migrated from upstream of the culvert to the surface water. He said the groundwater seep in Route 119 had chromium. He asked if there is another conduit across Route 119. Mr. Tull said without the chrome from the site, the runoff from the road still has some chrome. Mr. Tull said the ambient water quality standard is based upon a species of salmon in the Pacific.

Member Horowitz asked if there is chrome on the road, what is the difference in the levels of chrome. Mr. Tull said he did not have that data, but many heavily traveled roads show chrome and lead.

Member Schulman asked why testing stopped in 2014. Mr. Tull said because the testing achieved the water-quality goals for four consecutive quarters. Mr. Tull showed a map of the monitoring wells off site, noting that some wells were removed by residents without AMEC's approval. The contaminant levels in off-site wells had been none detected (ND) for ten years.

Member Horowitz asked how many wells were destroyed. Mr. Tull said AMEC decommissioned five wells that tested ND for ten years.

Chairman Hanninen asked how long the building demolition would take. Mr. Tull said a total of three weeks.

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Member Collette recommended that the contractor speak with the Building Commissioner and Fire Chief about the project as soon as possible. Mr. Tull said he knows that dust control is important to prevent fires.

Member Deuger asked if they would be disturbing soils during the demolition. Mr. Tull said, "yes." Member Deuger asked if they would be monitoring soil quality. Mr. Tull said "no." They will cap the area with three feet of clean soil.

Member Deuger asked if they would take a soil sample from the footprint of the building. Mr. Tull agreed to do so. Member Deuger said there could be residual pesticides under the building from past construction. Ms. Kaouris said they are aware of the concern and would take soil samples.

Ms. Kaouris said they will update the general information fact sheet about the site and will provide a demolition fact sheet.

Member Collette said she would arrange a conference call with the Town Manager to talk about the proposed demolition.

Mrs. Anderson asked when demolition would begin. Mr. Tull said they are still at the permitting stage and plan to begin in late September or October.

Mr. Tull asked about the buffer zone from the unnamed brook. Conservation Administrator Gualco said there is a 50 ft "no disturb" buffer and a 100 ft DEP regulated buffer. Mr. Gualco asked if this is an intermittent stream. Mr. Tull said, "yes." Mr. Gualco said it is not a riverfront area. Mr. Tull said they would mark the area to be disturbed. Chairman Hanninen suggested that they file a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) with the Conservation Commission.

Ms. Kaouris reviewed the schedule for the Risk Assessments in 2018 and Activity and Use Restrictions in early 2019.

Member Horwitz asked if the stream is still showing Cr6, would the deadlines be extended. Mr. Tull said, "yes."

Ms. Kaouris said they will do the following:

- Contact the Fire Chief about the demolition
- Update the Fact Sheet
- Prepare a Demolition Fact Sheet
- Set up a meeting or conference call with the Town Manager
- File an RDA with the Conservation Commission

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The motion was made by Deuger, seconded by Horowitz, to approve the minutes of November 15, 2016 as revised. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Collette
Member