

**Mayo Mill Dam Feasibility Study  
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes  
July 18, 2023**

**Attending (13):** Tom Lizotte, Chris Maas, Cindy Freeman-Cyr, Norton True, Denise Buzzelli, Jack Clukey, Alsina Brenenstuhl, Maranda Nemeth, Eileen Bader Hall, Mike Burke, Lucy Van Hook, Bill & Heidi Erspamer

**Call to Order:** 5:35 pm

**Minutes:**

- Discussion of everyone's thoughts for the public forum – Most were pleased with the turnout; a few key voices were missing. Sixty-five people were in attendance.
- Consensus on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 for the next meeting. This will include a tour of the dam and powerhouse, with the meeting to follow on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Mill.
- Maranda spoke of a field trip to Farmington, ME. The dam was removed approximately a year ago; the park had just been completed. Consensus for August 18<sup>th</sup> leaving D-F at 8:30 am. Lunch will be provided at the park.
- Mike Burke presented to the committee the preliminary matrix table. Requested the committee contact Alsina with any questions by Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Comments:**

Tom: My wife was in the audience, and they got a sense of the complexity of this project - the history, ecology, geology, and hydrology. They had the answers to all the questions.

Denise: Three people have stepped into the chamber and feel so good about everything we are doing and how balanced our committee is. And they all felt that we all want what's best. They trust us.

Cindy: The segment that was missing was young people. (Reflecting on the public forum)

Chris: When will the final report be published? Mike: Sept.

Mike Burke: Some chemicals are in the sediment but pass for park use. The sediment management plan controls the drawdown rate and may include some mechanical excavation.

**Communications and Outreach Action Items:**

- Alsina – Coordinate with Bill and Heidi about utilizing the mill space for the next meeting.
- Alsina – Organize field trip logistics from the D-F side
- Maranda – Connect with Farmington for the field trip
- Steering Committee – Review the matrix and pick the top three choices for the next meeting

**Next Meeting:** Scheduled for Tuesday, August 27th, 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**Adjournment:** 7:35 pm

**Submitted by:** Alsina Brenenstuhl

**Date:** 8/12/2023