Town of East Windsor Broad Brook Mill Site Remediation Committee

Meeting Minutes, March 21, 2018 East Windsor Historical Society, 113 Scantic Road, East Windsor

Attendance: Len Norton, Tom Talamini, Jessica Bottomley, Keith Yagaloff.

Absent: Len Norton, Robert Maynard, Andy Hoffman, Rand Stanley, Kirk Montstream.

Press: none

Chairwoman Bottomley called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Public Participation: none

No minutes to approve.

New Business:

Discussion of the remediation plan and proposed recommendations from the Committee.

The Committee agreed that the following recommendations should be the priority for the remediation plan for the Broad Brook Mill site and should be conveyed to the Board of Selectman:

- 1. All carcinogens, heavy metals and toxic pollutants should be excavated from the ground.
- 2. All materials excavated from the ground should be removed from the site and not reburied or consolidated on the site.
- 3. Coal ash should be excavated from the ground and removed from the site unless UTAS can demonstrate that removal of the coal ash is not economically viable. Coal ash should not be consolidated.
- 4. The historic mill buildings should be saved if possible. The involved parties should provide the committee with up to date cost estimates for the building remediation.

The Committee understands that the involved parties are obligated under the Section 106 hearing requirements to provide up to date and accurate cost estimates for the remediation of the mill buildings. The documents that have been provided to date do not contain that information.

The Committee agreed that additional documentation is needed in order to prepare for the Section 106 hearing and to respond to the final approved remediation plan. Jessica is following up on our documents requests.

The Committee continues to express serious concerns about the planned excavation from the ground of known carcinogens and heavy metals, and the planned reburying or consolidation of the those same contaminated soils in the area directly behind the church and commercial strip, which includes residential units in the rear. The fact that the carcinogens will remain on site and concentrated in an area close to residents and visitors is particularly disturbing.

Motion to adjourn the meeting, by Keith Yagaloff. Second by Tom Talamini. Vote: unanimous, in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.