

**AN ACT establishing a commission to investigate and analyze the environmental and health impacts relating to releases of perfluorinated chemicals in the air, soil, and groundwater in Merrimack, Bedford and Litchfield.**

**HB737, Chapter 335:1, RSA Chapter 126-A: 79-a, Laws of 2019**

**Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**Friday, October 30, 2020, 10 AM, Virtual Meeting**

Attendees: Joseph Ayotte (USGS), Chris Bandazian (Town of Bedford), Rep. Ralph Boehm, Sen. Shannon Chandley, Kathleen Bush (NHDHHS), Amy Costello (UNH Institute for Health Policy and Practice), Rebecca DeVries (Merrimack resident), Sen. Jeanne Dietsch, Nicole Fordey (Litchfield resident), Nancy Harrington (Town of Merrimack), Mindi Messmer (environmental advocate), Rep. Nancy Murphy, Rep. Jeanine Notter, Emma Paradis (Bedford resident), Rep. Rosemarie Rung, Rep. Wendy Thomas, Michael Wimsatt (NHDES), Rep. Gary Woods (NH Medical Society)

Guests: Ava Hawkes (NH Senate staff), Alan Raff (NH Senate staff, attended to provide technical support)

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am.

Sen. Dietsch read the Right to Know notice.

Rep. Rung (clerk) called the roll for attendance. Commission members stated their location and if anyone was in their presence.

Ms. Fordey requested the following corrections to the September minutes: delete “The decision on” before Mr. Wimsatt’s updates (p. 1), delete “Sen. Dietsch asked” (p. 2), replace “per” with “to” (p. 4), replace the first “is” with “the” and add a period after “Rep” (p. 4, second paragraph), correct “trace” with “trACE” (p. 4), replace “requires” with “require” (p. 4), correct the spelling of Mr. Bandazian’s name in 2 occurrences (p. 5), and correct the date of the next full Commission meeting to October 30 (p. 5).

Rep. Rung moved to accept the September minutes as corrected. Mr. Bandazian seconded the motion. The motion passed by a roll call vote.

Sen. Dietsch opened discussion on the draft interim report. Commission members suggested edits.

Rep. Notter joined the meeting at 11:20 am.

Mr. Raff informed the Commission that the meeting needed to adjourn at noon to technically accommodate another scheduled Senate meeting.

Sen. Dietsch informed the Commission that she would send within the hour a press release, draft report and amendment for an electronic vote of members.

Rep. Rung moved to adjourn the meeting and Rep. Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 pm.

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