



# City of Westfield Massachusetts

## NATURAL RESOURCES Committee Meeting Minutes

December 05, 2019 - Time: 6:20 pm - Room 315A

### Approved 12.19.19

Committee Members: Mary Ann Babinski, Chair; Cindy Harris; Leslie LeFebvre

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CALL TO ORDER: 6:21PM

1. Recording of the meeting: NONE
2. Roll Call Attendance: X Mary Ann Babinski; arrvd - 6:23pm Cindy Harris; X Leslie LeFebvre
3. Approval of meeting minutes - March 28, 2019
  - Motion made by Councilor LeFebvre to approve the minutes. Seconded by Councilor Babinski.  
Vote to Approve 3-0

### AGENDA ITEMS

1. 5/4/17 Upon motion of Councilor Babinski for the Natural Resources Committee, it was VOTED: That the Airport Commission be requested to give a written update to the Council regarding current controls and oversight procedures insuring protection of the Barnes Aquifer and that the matter be REFERRED TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION and MANAGER (Item to also remain in NRC).

Update: Report was received by City Council on 7/6/17 and placed on file

#### **Summary & Action Taken:**

- Councilor Babinski shared that at the July 6, 2017, City Council meeting the Report from Airport Manager Eric Billowitz was read by Councilor Onyski and voted to be accepted and placed on file. (see attachment)
- Councilor Babinski called for a motion to remove the item from committee.
- Motion made by Councilor Harris to REMOVE FROM COMMITTEE. Seconded by Councilor LeFebvre. Approved 3-0

Next Meeting Date: 12.19.19 at 6:30PM

Motion to Adjourn: 6:26PM

Motion made by Councilor Harris, Seconded by Councilor LeFebvre. Approved 3-0

Respectfully submitted,  
Councilor Mary Ann Babinski, Chairperson

**Attach to NRC 12.05.19 Minutes**



Hi Mary,

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Airport's oversight in protecting the Barnes Aquifer. The Airport follows and is subject to all of the local, State (DEP) and Federal (EPA) laws and regulations as they pertain in an aviation environment. Additionally, the Airport includes language in all agreements with tenants requiring them to adhere to the same laws and regulations.

Further to the above, the Airport's 14CFR Part 139 Certificate requires the Airport to inspect fueling operations on a quarterly basis for environmental and safety compliance. For reference, the Code closely follows National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Code 407.

The Airport is also required by the EPA to have a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in place. The plan requires the airport and its tenants to follow control measures and good practices for everything from trash storage to spill containment to stormwater basin maintenance to building and grounds maintenance procedures. Inspections, audits and training occur at regular intervals from weekly to annually depending on the item.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Billowitz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Best regards  
Eric Billowitz