**Shutesbury Water Resources Committee**

**Minutes of September 8, 2014**

Members Present:

 Paul Lyons (acting chair; recording)

 April Stein

 Al Werner

Meeting began at 7:00 PM with a field trip to the sites of the new wells. Remainder of meeting began at approximately 8:10 at Town Hall.

1. Minutes from August 11, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved as written by unanimous vote.
2. Member updates – none
3. Membership – Several names of possible new committee members were discussed. April, Al and Paul will all contact one or more to see if they are interested.
4. Al Werner provided committee with an update on progress for the well monitoring project.
	1. All 8 wells were installed between August 20 and 26.
	2. Three of the bedrock wells are 100’ deep; one (at Town Hall) is 300’.
	3. Shallow wells were installed at all 4 sites, usually within 20’ of the bedrock wells.
	4. Water levels rose in all wells and now appears to be stabilizing.
	5. Some clean-up work is still needed at several sites. This will be done by Al and Paul, or by Highway Dept. staff.
	6. April will ask Selectboard if they would like us to restrict access at the O-32 site.
	7. Al will draft letters of thanks to Tim Hunting and his neighbor Duane and bring to next meeting for signatures.
	8. Project budget (expended and projected):

Base price for well drilling - $18,400

Additional cost for Town Hall well - $2,000

Set-up charge (for extending Town Hall well) - ~$300

Level loggers (one for each well) - ~3,000

Reader for level loggers - ~$124

Water quality testing - $?? (Al will check with BoH re: what tests are required for domestic wells)

1. New business – Al reported that his neighbor (Jamie Brown) has offered to set up a website for the well project, in which we could provide periodic updates, water level graphs, etc. for town residents and others. Paul will communicate with Jamie and the web committee about how to set this up.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM

Next meeting – Oct. 13, 2014

Topics – discuss water quality testing; well characterization; new members.