

Finalized Minutes

St. George Conservation Commission for Thursday January 3, 2019

Attendance: Members: Joss Coggeshall, Dan Verrillo, Ken Oelberger, Ingrid Mroz, Tom Gorrill, Ryan LeShane and Suzanne Hall; Also: Terry Brackett, Anita Siegenthaler and Tammy Willey.

Announcements:

- Town Solar Array is having a problem with an inverter and with CMP billing. ReVision is handling technical issues with Tim and billing with Elizabeth.
- Annual meeting for MEACC is April 27th in Brunswick.

Modifications to Agenda: None.

Minutes: Motion to approve December minutes as amended made by Tom. Seconded by Ingrid. Approved unanimously.

Old Business

Invasives: (Ingrid)

- Spring planning meeting scheduled for January 14th
- Anita and Ingrid will meet on January 7th to do PR work and preparation for meeting on the 14th.

Footpaths: (Tom)

- Optional bidder meeting for the parking lot held at Meadow Brook property on January 3rd. No bidders showed up.
- On December 14th an exploratory walk was held at Meadow Brook. Brent West and Allison England also attended.

Land Trust Coordination: (Ken)

- Meadow Brook: Ryan will provide a materials list for the Kiosk.
- Clark Island: Steve Walker was made aware of new owners of the Craignair Inn.

Education Committee: (Suzanne)

- Wildlife: Kirk's talk on "Winter Wildlife on the St. George Peninsula" scheduled for January 24th at 7 PM. Kirk has provided bio and pictures for PR. If weather conditions force rescheduling a notice will be posted on the Town's website. Ken will make decision on posting if necessary.

Steam Restoration: (Joss/Dan). Nothing new.

Website update: (Tom) Ken will contact Terry Baines.

New Business

2019 Action Plan: (Ken) Edited and added items:

- Natural Resources: 6.13B policy 1: Will identify 52 coastal wildlife concentration areas.
- Will create an inventory of Significant Scenic Features viewed from public property and roads.
- Policy 5: Maintain (if necessary) a management plan for Town forest land.
- Joss is already compiling info on conducting good forest management practices.
- Marine Resources: The CC does not have the resources to monitor water quality.
- Will continue to improve public information and education concerning coastal management, resources and cleanup.
- All CC members will send Dan suggested updates for all the above lists, Natural Resources Inventory and Significant Ecological Areas. These Action Plan Items have a target completion date of December 2019.

Select Board Update: (Tammy) CC is up to date on submissions.

Planning Board Update: (Terry) Permit issued for Meadow Brook parking lot. He will provide copies for us.

Future Topics:

- Climate Change
- Plastic bag ban

Motion to adjourn by Ingrid. Seconded by Joss. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Verrillo