

## Finalized Minutes

### St. George Conservation Commission for Thursday March 7, 2019

**Attendance:** Members: Joss Coggeshall, Dan Verrillo, Ingrid Mroz, and Tom Gorrill; Also: John McIlwain.

**Announcements:** MCHT's Maine Land Conservation Convention: April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

**Modifications to Agenda:** Will discuss Community Solar first.

**Minutes:** Motion by Tom to approve February minutes. Seconded by Joss. Approved unanimously.

### Old Business

**Invasives:** (Ingrid)

- Slogan: "Know Before You Grow" was selected by the CC Invasives subgroup from those developed by last year's St. George School's sixth grade class.
- Ryan and Amanda, who are leading the presentation/tour at Blueberry Cove on June 8<sup>th</sup>, will meet in April to finalize plans.
- Article will be in the Dragon's April issue.
- Nancy Olmstead will give instruction on latest version of iMap (invasive mapping).

**Footpaths:** (Tom)

- Trail cleanup email sent out to assess number of volunteers who can attend.

**Education Committee:** (Ingrid for Suzanne) See Invasives

**Steam Restoration:** (Joss/Dan). No change

- CC will work with Alison and her class on plans for a small fish ladder.
- After the fish ladder plan is complete and approved, work on a landscape plan and permitting for the banks of the creek will resume.

**Website Update:** (Tom)

- Community Access link needs to be revised or removed.

### New Business

**Climate Change:**

Community Solar (John):

- ReVision not recommending a solar project at this time but may if proposed bill(s) are passed.

- John suggested that a goal year be set for “energy independence” (renewable fuel only) for the Town.

#### Single Use Plastic Bags (Ingrid)

- Solid Waste and Recycling committee voted to recommend to the SB (through Tammy) to eliminate single use plastic bags and polystyrene containers (clam shell type).
- CC voted unanimously to support banning single use plastic bags and polystyrene containers. Will continue to discuss at next meeting when more members are present.

**Select Board Update:** (Tammy) Not here.

**Planning Board Update:** (Ingrid for Terry) DEP notified Terry of Matt Stern’s permit application for rip-rap and fill on his Watts Cove property. Terry has address people can send concerns to if they wish.

**Motion to adjourn by Dan. Seconded by Tom. Approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted by Dan Verrillo