

Finalized Minutes

St. George Conservation Commission for Thursday October 7, 2021

Attendance: Members: Ken Oelberger, Dale Pierson, John Meyer, Dan Verrillo, and Tom Gorrill; Also: Tammy Wiley, and Dave Roseboom.

Public Comment: None

Announcements & Communications: (Ken)

- Received an email from Gayle and Rick Bedigian requesting to be kept informed of commission matters. Ken responded with information about the web page and town announcements
- **Fort Point:** Brian (an abutter) is concerned about damage to the mound from mowing. Ken will send an email to Doug Beck and Matt Hamilton (acting Bureau of Parks and Lands Northern Parks Regional Manager) with this concern.

Modifications to Agenda: Town newsletter.

Minutes: Motion by Tom to approve last month's minutes. Seconded by John M. Unanimously approved.

Old Business

Footpaths: (Tom/Ken)

- Work Trips: Additional stones planned at Meadow Brook for trail wet areas. Tom asked Dale if he can get a backhoe to improve drainage and install a culvert at Meadow Brook parking lot.
- Install signs for hunting season next month at Fort Point, Town Forest, Meadow Brook and Jones Brook.
- Fort Point:
 1. Mowed field (thanks to Bill Mroz).
 2. All permits received.
 3. Town nearing completion on deed w/abutters.
 4. Survey crew installed boundary stakes and some boundary pins. Abutters satisfied with stakes installed. Will discuss further delineation (plantings and/or signs) to deter trespassers.

Land Trust Coordination: (Ken).

- MCHT Clark Island: Amanda still on leave. May need CC help when she returns.
- GRLT: Annual meeting discussing future plans. [Click here](#) for meeting recording.

Education: John K. not here. The Clark Island invasives walk planned for September 9th was cancelled due to bad weather.

Invasives John K. not here.

Website Update (John M.)

- Trails page updated. [Click here](#) to see changes.

Climate Change: (Dan)

Sea Level Rise:

- SLR ad hoc Committee met on 9/22/21 to discuss questions asked by C-RISE.
- Richard and Dan met with Gale Bowness on 10/6/21. C-RISE will have two remote test sessions this Fall and an in-person workgroup session in February. CC will take the lead on finding 10 members for these meetings. The goal is for a diverse group by gender, and type of work (e.g., retired, fishing, service industry, community leader). Funds are available that Richard will assign to the CC. Ken will contact Richard to determine how they can be used.

Solar:

Nothing new.

New Business

Associate Members (Ken)

- Vote November 2nd on Local Referendum Question 1 will determine the addition of Associate Members.

MEACC (Ken)

- No CC members will attend this in-person meeting. Ken will respond and suggest that future meetings offer a remote attendance option.

Town Newsletter (Ken)

- Due by October 20th. Dan will add SLR section asking for volunteers so that we can have a more diverse representation at future C-RISE workgroup meetings.

Select Board Update: (Tammy) Working on completing deeds for Fort Point.

Planning Board Update: (Terry) Not here.

Motion by Tom to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Dale. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Verrillo

