

Dennis Climate and Coastal Resiliency Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 6 PM

Hybrid Meeting – ZOOM and in-person

Members Present: Julie Kennie, Ken McAloon, Shannon Goheen, Betsy LaMond, Thom Huettner, Annette Winther, Spencer Stone

Attendees: Rick Bishop, Friends of Bass River, Tom Andrade, Dennis Town Engineer

A quorum being present, the meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Administrative Items:

- Move to approve minutes January 17, 2023 minutes. Approved as amended (change to distinguish committee members from attendee Rick Bishop).
- Rick Bishop spoke about the Mill Pond project; bringing pictures of the widened culvert and other aspects of the project. The committee voted unanimously to issue a letter of recommendation from the committee to the Dennis CDC. The letter, with minor edits, will be attached to the posted February meeting minutes.
- Spencer asked if members had received the new Conflict of Interest requirements training. Some members didn't receive the email from Town Clerk's office. Spencer will resend to those who didn't receive it.
- The Committee discussed electing a new Chair. By unanimous vote, the Committee voted to table the issue until the next meeting. Members hope more members will join the committee. Spencer will ask the Select Board to help with recruiting new members.

Old Business

- Shannon Goheen: Pound Pond Project:

Shannon shared what information she had on the project. Tom Andrade, via ZOOM, gave a detailed update.

- Annette Winther: Project tracking spreadsheet:

Annette distributed copies of the spreadsheet she developed showing active projects in Dennis. Tom Andrade joined the meeting via ZOOM sharing details of the projects and answering questions from the committee.

Tom and the committee discussed ways to work together to bring these projects to completion. Public outreach and finding funding sources are areas for collaboration.

Annette will ask a representative from the APCC to attend our March meeting to discuss the Weir River project.

- Bass River Tour: Settling on a date for the tour with Rick was tabled until the March meeting.
- Julie Kennie: Draft Solid Waste: Julie has streamlined the Draft Solid Waste document for clarity.

New Business

- Reforming Committee focus:

The committee discussed amending our charge with the Select Board to more accurately reflect our activities. Shannon noted that the committee was approved by the Select Board three years ago with no activity until the current composition.

The committee voted to table this issue until we meet with members of the Select Board.

- Any other business to come before committee:

No other new business was raised.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Next Meeting: March 16, 2023

Submitted by: Betsy LaMond, Recording Secretary