

OLD ORCHARD BEACH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, September 9, 2019, 7:00 PM

OOB Town Hall, Council Chambers

Attending: Kimbark Smith, Barry Jackman, Roger Stevens, Cynthia Nye, Mark Koenigs

1. General Updates

Cynthia – Visit of the Taiwanese Delegation October 3. Fifteen people arriving at 9:30 am, will visit the Goosefare Brook Watershed buffer garden project at LMS, beach profiling, lunch, Milliken Mills, meeting with teachers after school. Community partners can

Kb - Phragmites removal at Randall marsh: Youth Conference camp kids, Stantec, Roger, Kimbark, others noted on Facebook page. LARGE area, now clear, recommended not to plant native grasses, see what comes in. Will come back in August to do maintenance.

Tide Gate - Issues in August, wasn't working properly, something was done or it resolved itself and is working the way agreed with town, i.e., water coming up barley in grates, not flooding.

Barry – Ted Wells Trail - woods have been heavily thinned (private property), trails still there, barely; Barry and KB will walk the trails Sunday morning, Saco Bay Trails wants to maintain a trail there but the old trail to the marsh can't be rebuilt. Could we access some of the federal trails through the sewer treatment plant?

Roger - Materials acquisition: ordered a walk-behind trimmer on raincheck from Tractor Supply, will order Pulaski at Hanson's Home Hardware

2. Fall Plans and Dates – Next meeting Nov. 12 or 13?

Lori Gramlich, state rep, offered to come back. Barry will contact her.

Goosefare September clean-up?

New trails in Milliken Mills behind Dolphin and in MM North

Money available for storm contingency plan but we can't get any because town hasn't completed the 10-year comprehensive plan - that group is meeting tomorrow Tuesday at 6 pm in police department community room. Last one was passed in 1991.

3. Good and Welfare

Roger thanked Youth Conference Camp kids who helped clear phragmites -- worked really hard and did a great job!

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Minutes submitted by Cynthia Nye, Con Com clerk

Kimbark G. Smith, Chair OOB Conservation Commission