

OLD ORCHARD BEACH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, November 13, 2017, 7:00 PM

OOB Town Hall, Council Chambers

Present: Kimbark Smith chair, Bob Fox, Cynthia Nye, Mark Koenigs

Guests: Katie and Meryl from UNE citizenship class, Sierra Stephens from Loranger Memorial School, with her grandfather and mother

1. Guest Speaker Sierra Stephens from Loranger Memorial School presented information from her web page about phragmites, created for the conservation commission/town web page as her individual project for the 6th grade Goosefare Watershed Project.

2. General Updates

Milliken Mills Woods

- Mark and Bob walked trails to prepare for volunteers from UNE possibly this week, likely in the spring
- Mark designed the fence for the Googins grave site. Jimmy Perrillo and 4 high school students helped Kimbark, Mark, Ally lay out and install the fence; they did a great job, learned how to level and plumb posts. Tim Rogers said there are other graves on the site.
- We need to ask developers to create access to the trails. Mark is getting maps from planning board. Mark will send contact info to Cynthia.
- Kimbark planning to talk to Rick Ahearn about donating land to expand MMW property

Ocean Park Trails

- Mark walked the trails, contacted GPS person about making maps
- Saco Bay Trails: Kimbark is going to their meeting tomorrow night to talk about rebuilding Ted Wells Trail. Kimbark has told them they can use the boardwalks removed from OOB access walkways. Rachel Carson organization doesn't allow PT but Kimbark will suggest using plastic wood under the PT sleepers.
- We hope to include UNE and OOBHS students in rebuilding Ted Wells Trail and removing phragmites. Need to do a walk-through and problem identification in fall and spring.
- Barry Jackman and possibly his wife will join OOB Conservation Commission as well as chairing Ocean Park con comm.
- Canoe and kayak access near pump station... Kimbark is working with Barry on this.

Map of Trails in OOB: Cynthia will contact Kim Verrault at Chamber of Commerce regarding possibility of working together on a trail map.

Grants: No news

3. Good and Welfare

This winter we need to get out maps and determine where trails cross people's lots so that we can request trail access.

John Bird had researched abutters--do we have his notes somewhere?

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Minutes submitted by Cynthia Nye

Kimbark G. Smith, Chair OOB Conservation Commission