

# OLD ORCHARD BEACH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday November 11, 2024 7:00 PM

Town Hall

Attending: Irv Paradis, Kimbark Smith, Cynthia Nye

## 1. Project(s) Updates by Members

Flood Resilience: Irv and Scott Tucker made an appointment with Diana Asanza for Thursday 11/14/24 at 11:00 to discuss the letter they sent requesting the help of professional people, i.e. engineers, to help address resiliency. Irv suggests Peter Slovinsky, who works for the state and has worked with other towns.

Project Canopy Grant, Ocean Park: Forester Jesse Duplin is coming Friday 11/15/24 to meet with Irv and members of the OPA Environmental and Natural Resources Committee to set up an integrated pest management plan.

Irv's house is being sold and he will leave Ocean Park/OOB in March.

Piping plovers: Old Orchard pairs 4, nest attempts 9, fledglings 1  
Ocean Park pairs 0, nest attempts 0, fledglings 0  
We haven't been in touch with Missy Mans this year.

## Loranger projects

- Composting is happening.
- Hemlock and Ash project grade 5 has wrapped up. Students raised money with bake sales during conferences to help buy beetles (\$91) and made posters that will be put in the back of the kiosk at the new Milliken Mills Woods parking lot. Kimbark complemented students on the tree info poster that was installed on the front.
- Cynthia's students and seven 5th graders participated in a weaving workshop with OOB resident and Wabanaki educator and author Minquansis Sapiel and her daughter Minsoss.
- Cynthia's students are raising 20 Atlantic White Cedar seedlings as part of a project with Charles Newport University in VA to see how salinity affects AWC in states across their range, Maine to Mississippi.

## 2. Good and Welfare - no topics

Minutes submitted by Cynthia Nye

Kimbark G. Smith, Chair OOB Conservation Commission

