

MINUTES

ENVIRONMENT & NATUARAL ASSETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 9: AM, Assateague Room

Present – Chairman Ken Wolf, Sharon Santacroce, Paul Fohner, Marty Clarke, John Maziuk, Karen Detter, Anne O’Connell, and Susan Holt were present and made a quorum. Tom Janacek, Board liaison, and Pat Benner were excused. Colby Phillips sat in for MCBP and OPA.

Call to Order: – Ken Wolf called the meeting to order at 9: AM.

Chairman’s comments: - The next meeting is scheduled for December 16th at 11:AM and he hopes that we can return to a set monthly date, time and place starting with the January meeting. There was also discussion regarding the old tennis courts at the Swim & Racquet Club.

Approval of Agenda: - Approved by acclamation.

Approval of Minutes: - The minutes for our last meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 were approved, after three corrections to text and spelling, by a motion from Sharon, seconded by Anne and affirmative vote by all.

Public Comments: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Ken reported the spraying and mitigation of the phragmites was proceeding under Public Works. Colby handed out a flyer with pictures.
- The board had authorized the testing of the waters at our north and south gate ponds, we are awaiting test results.
- Discussion regarding the pros and cons of the natural grass barrier around the entrances ponds to restrict access by geese. Marty will prepare a motion for the December committee meeting.
- Sharon is going to prepare a draft of the Green Street article detailing the reasons not to feed the geese, which will accompany the installation of the new signs.
- The do not feed geese signs are hopefully moving along. Josh and the Marketing department are drafting the necessary art work.
- Marty lent his file to Ken for his review of our last attempt to limit geese propagation.
- We want to set up a meeting with MCBP.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The lack of trash cans around the walking trail at Memorial was discussed and Colby offered to investigate and report back to committee.
- Discussion of Rte. 90 pond regarding geese prevention and improved property owner use. And the need for a detailed map
- Ken relayed findings from a discussion with MCBP on the usefulness of clams for water filtering. He also passed on comments on the possible benefits of diverting effluent out of the St Martin’s .And advised on his impressions MCBP Policy Committee meeting he attended.
- From the annual review meeting, ken advised about the Park & Rec Committee intentions to put lockable Kayak racks on the blacktopped old tennis court at The Swim and Racquet Club. Colby indicated she would let us know if this got serious.

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Marty Clarke

