

AGENDA

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL ASSETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE “Improving the natural beauty and resources of Ocean Pines”

Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 10 a.m.

Conference Room, Administration Building

Call to Order

Chairperson’s comments: (current acting Chairperson)

Thank you for your trust in me as proposed Chair. Review meeting process including recording, and strictly following agenda. Review objectives of the committee. Review of accomplishments for the year. New member applications.

Approval of Agenda:

Approve the minutes from the September 27, 2023 meeting:

Public Comments:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- South Pond Buffer/Erosion Plan –grant from MCB is APPROVED! We await review by EPA on final funding approval.
- Habitat Modification – We await a response from OPA on Coastal Tributaries’ proposal.
- Goose/duck signs: plan for maintenance if placement is year-round. Random maintenance by committee members when problems are observed (Patricia, Patty, John).
- We await responses from OPA on four outstanding issues (previously submitted to BOD, Parks and Rec): planning for pond shoreline remediation; installation of fishing-line tubes at South Pond; installing information nature signs around Rt.90 pond; planting new trees in White Horse Park.
- Status on gear-tubes at South Pond (endorsed by Angler’s Club) including diagram for 2-4 locations, volunteer manufacture (\$36 estimate) and installation (initial proposal 8/2/2023).
- Rt.90 pond improvement strategies beyond nature signs and foot bridge.
- Confirm if Canada goose egg addling was performed by a company in spring 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

- Nuts about acorns: State DNR tree nursery program; acorn collecting; sapling sales.
- Request for the next Greenstreet article.
- Turtle sanctuaries
- New project ideas: promote tree planting and preservation, mitigation of flooding potential in OP including effect of leaf accumulations in road-side swales, public education, control of debris disposal in canals, more interaction with MCB, ACT, and National Center for Coastal Service.
- What are your concerns and ideas for the new committee year?

- I submitted the FY2022 annual report to BOD liason on the ENA committee accomplishments and expected budget needs.
- Move November meeting date from 22nd. December date uncertain.

Date of next meeting – November ____, 2023, at 10 a.m. in Administration Building Conference Room

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