

ERC Minutes for Feb 15, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lauren Jordan, Diane Lamson, Sarah Kaplinger, Mike Brakey, Kyla Viger

1. APPROVAL OF JAN 4th and 18th MINUTES - Kyla motioned to accept minutes as written, seconded by Sarah, minutes were unanimously approved with no changes

2. UPDATES: Parks and Rec Sarah was not present to report

3. DEBRIEF ON WINTER SEED SOWING WORKSHOP - We put flyers in the library, community building, and Pineland Farms, and posted an article in the NGX. We had a good turnout. We will consider another workshop for 2025. Ideas for next time: suggestion to add "how did you hear about us?" on the registration form so we know what communication is most effective.

Diane will check with FPML to see if they are having a similar seed starting workshop in the fall, and if the ERC might be a part of that.

3. COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PARTNERSHIP: Lauren recapped the 1/25 zoom meeting with Gabe McPhail, regional CRP coordinator, and the 2/8 zoom meeting with Sara Mills-Knapp with GPCOG. Mike requested a copy of the energy assessment report from the Town.

Next Steps: ERC to come together as a group to discuss options, determine costs, GPCOG fees. Lauren is on the SB agenda for March 18 to present a grant proposal for consideration. Lauren will ask Sara from GPCOG to meet on zoom on Feb 22 with Doug present.

6. ERC SOCIAL MEDIA/NGX ARTICLES: Kyla will write an article for February on the topic of the Seed Sowing Workshop we offered to the public. She will email a draft to ERC members before posting. Members also discussed the topic list Kyla wrote up, and made a few adjustments.

NEW BUSINESS

A. May 28, Mike will be doing a presentation for UMaine Senior College on the topic of climate history and the driving forces for energy efficiency.

Next meeting date March 7 at 5:30pm

Respectively submitted by Diane Lamson, Secretary ERC