

## ERC Minutes for June 6, 2024

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lauren Jordan, Diane Lamson, Mike Brakey, Kyla Viger, Doug Smith, Nate Reimensnyder, Sarah Kaplinger

**1. APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES** - Kyla motioned to accept minutes as written, seconded by Doug, minutes were unanimously approved with no changes

### **2. UPDATES:**

**Parks and Rec** Sarah was not present to report. Doug suggested inviting Sarah's assistant, Kimberly, to attend meetings

**Maine Carbon Cashback** no new information, Nate will follow up with Dustin

**Community Resilience Partnership Grant Application** Our grant application was approved by the state, out of 100, New Gloucester scored a 91 on the Team Consensus Evaluation. GPCOG/Sara Mills Knapp will write a contract for the Town and State to sign before funds are awarded. GPCOG requests an adjustment to the time frame, from 12 months to 18-24 months. They will take the lead on the project, with guidance and input from the ERC.

Lauren will inform the Select Board about the acceptance of the grant at the June 17 meeting

**3. POLLINATOR GARDEN TOUR:** This July 28 event is part of the NG 250th celebration. ERC members will be present as they are able. Diane will check for handouts. More clean up is needed for best presentation.

**4. ERC Community Fair Booth** (Sept 7) Topics discussed were the CRP Grant projects, Local trail development, and Erosion control. No decisions were finalized. Supplies for the booth will be subject to the town's new process for committee purchases. Members will meet at the garden and make a supply list for fence repair and anything else that might be needed

**5. ERC Fundraising** This was tabled until we understand the budget process first

**6. ERC SOCIAL MEDIA/NGX ARTICLES:** Doug will write an article about the CRP Grant Application process after the state press release. Kyla will write on the pollinator garden tour in early July.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

CBTA (Casco Bay Trail Association) Nate will arrange for a guest speaker to attend a future meeting and will let Lauren know for agenda purposes.

Next meeting date July 11 at 5:30pm (First Thursday is the 4th)

Respectively submitted by Diane Lamson, Secretary ERC