

Minutes of Environmental Resources Committee July 7, 2022

Members Present: Doug Smith, Diane Lamson, Sarah Rodrigues, Lauren Jordan, Laura Fralich, Noreen Williams

Minutes of June 2022 were approved with no changes.

Election of Officers:

Chair: Doug nominated Lauren Jordan, Laura seconded motion. Unanimous vote in favor

Vice Chair: Doug nominated Laura Fralich, Noreen seconded motion. Unanimous vote in favor

Secretary Lauren nominated Diane Lamson, Noreen seconded motion Unanimous vote in favor

Parks and Rec update - Sarah

Sarah will get the town tractor to move mulch at the fairgrounds when we are ready to do so

Update - Community Resilience Partnership: Guest Rachel Lyn Rumson

It was confirmed that the Select board has signed the letter of support for Rachel as service provider and that it has been sent to the state.

Next Step: Submission of Application for service provider grant to pay Rachel Lyn for her work.

She will send a copy of her application to ERC members for review. Doug agreed to be her contact person for communicating with ERC. Rachel Lyn will also be sharing ongoing information via "Mighty Network/207permaculture

Rachel outlined her vision for the process which includes working with Gray and Durham, involving subject matter experts (including but not limited to: Biologist, farmers fishermen, RRCT, Soil conservationists etc) and engaging "Stakeholder groups" (including but not limited to the boy scouts, high school students, other town committees)

Items to send to Select Board: (Lauren)

- a. 3 recommendations for town solar option. Laura gave a brief presentation on Revision Energy and the options available with them. The other 2 are Nexamp and Community Energy Services. Summaries will be sent to Paul Larivee. ERC will then wait for any further direction.
- b. Apparel Impact Bin: Lauren will present details from the 6 month trial to the board at their next meeting. The hope is that the town will continue to offer the bin as an option to the community.

Community Fair: August 20

Diane will provide a tent and 2 tables. She will also contact Rob Cotieux regarding a display of local invasive plants. ERC members agreed to work shifts at the fair. Details at next meeting

Pollinator Garden Work

Members will do a soil test to determine if we need to add organic matter before mulching. We will do this soon after July 16 when members have more time available.

Lower Village Project with RRCT and Community Group (Doug)
Process of transferring ownership of property from CMP to RRCT is ongoing

Workshops/Training: (Lauren)

SLA Invasive plant patrol kick off is Sat July 23 at 9am. Upcoming SLA events can be found on their website: www.sabbathdaylakeassoc.org/events

Remaining agenda items were tabled until next meeting due to time

Next meeting date Aug 4, 2022 at 5:30pm

Respectively submitted by Diane Lamson, Secretary ERC