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10/13/20
Meeting Minutes
6:00PM

Present Members: Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish, Wayne Sylvester, Virginia Long, Deborah McCormack, Robert Weiss

Absent Members: Karen Golab

Staff Present: Julius Peel, Land Use Clerk

Members of the Public Present: Janis Kearney

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I. Call to Order:

II. Approve Minutes: September 15th Minutes, September 29th Public Hearing Minutes for Casey Road and Teneriffe Mountain.

September 15th: After reviewing the minutes, Deb McCormack makes an edit for the Land Use Clerk that notes the spelling of her last name and Wayne Sylvester.

Bob Weiss motions to accept the minutes from September 15th with the edits proposed, Seconded by Wayne Sylvester. The vote is approved unanimously. The motion passes accepting the minutes of September 15th.

September 29th Teneriffe Mountain Public Hearing: The commission discusses the errors in the minutes that they had presented to the Landuse Clerk. These errors include incorrect spelling of names, noting that Steve Panish and Virginia Long had recused themselves, for not including the appointment of Deb McCormack as a seated member and incorrect project figures.

Motion:

Deb McCormack motions to accept the Public Hearing minutes of the Teneriffe Mountain Public Hearing Minutes with corrections, Seconded by Wayne Sylvester. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes accepting the Public Hearing Minutes. *

September 29th Casey Road Public Hearing: The commission reviewed these minutes and agreed the changes that needed to be made were ones that existed between the two documents.

Motion:

Wayne Sylvester motions to accept the Public Hearing minutes of the Casey Road Public Hearing Minutes with corrections, Seconded by Bob Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes accepting the Public Hearing Minutes. *

III. Discuss Public Hearings:

After the commission reviewed the outcome of the public hearing, they all confirm how pleased they were with the attendance from the public. Cynthia Wyatt explained that she will put together a thank you letter for the members of MMRG that attended the meeting.

IV. Report on Teneriffe Mt. Site Walk:

The commission reports that the walk was a beautiful trip and that they were excited for the project's completion.

V. Clarifying DES Notifications

Cynthia Wyatt explained to the Commission that after the last meeting that she and Virginia Long investigated the rules and regulations that differentiate between Shoreland Permits and Wetland Permits. From this they explain that DES does not require that municipal boards need to review shoreland permits but receive them to inform them of the process. The Commission did express that they had concerns with the lack of local, site specific information about shoreland BMP's and talked about ways to offer advice for Milton's shoreland impact projects

VI. DES Shoreland Permit Notification

Wayne pointed out to the commission that he had noticed locations that might not be using best practices for mitigating storm water run-off. Cynthia and Virginia explain that maybe the best action would be to contact the planning board and ask that they assist with ensuring that best practices are followed. Julius Peel explained to the commission that Shoreland Permits are noticed to the Planning Board, but that they do not expressively have the ability to alter them. After learning this, Cynthia, and Virginia both agreed that contacting the Code Enforcement Officer and the Town Administrator might be the next best way to reach out to Milton landowners who are applying for shoreland permits.

VII. Casey Road Sub-Committee

Virginia Long, Chair to the Casey Road Sub-Committee explains that they are waiting on the Easement to be signed by the Select Board before they can continue.

VIII. Final Draft of amended By-Laws for Review:

Cynthia Wyatt explained that since she and Julius were still working on the By-Laws the commission will table this until the next meeting.

IX. Educational Outreach: re Three Ponds

Currently the educational subcommittee is attempting to figure out the best way for them to reach out to community members who live along the ponds.

X. Intent to Cut:

The commission reviewed the intent to cut completed by John Nute who noticed the Town of Milton because the town holds the conservation easement on his property. After reviewing the application, the commission expressed their satisfaction with the application.

XI. Chris Kane Monitoring Report:

Currently there has been no development in Chris Kane's report and once the commission receives this information Cynthia will report this to the commission.

XII. Jones Brook Park Update

Currently there are no large updates on this project.

XIII. Financial Report:

Steve Panish explained to the board that there is currently little change to the budget and that the commission should think about using the funding in the account before resorting to donating money for conservation projects. Julius Peel explains that the amount in the accounts might be misleading because expenditures might not have been drawn from the correct lines. Cynthia Wyatt expressed concern that Chris Kane might not have been paid and she volunteered to reach out to him to confirm the receipt of invoice and payment.

XIV. Update on Planning Board Amendments

There have been no updates on the Planning Board amendments regarding conservation.

XV. Public Comment:

Janis Kearney joined the Zoom meeting at 7:02, but after muting herself the commission was unable to communicate with her. With this, there was no public comment.

Motion:

***Bob Weiss motions to adjourn, Seconded by Wayne Sylvester. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes adjourning the meeting. ***