

Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes 2/8/18

Convened Kingston Library @ 6:50pm

No voting quorum until Greg Senko (alternate) arrived at 7:00 PM.

Marghi Bean also arrived at 7:45 after attending another meeting.

Present: Evelyn Nathan, Bob Smith, David Joy, Greg Senko, Marghi Bean

Guests: Walt Roy, King's Landing condo association members. Rick Sylvain, Robert Marley and Alfred Fournier

Secretary's report:

*Correction to January minutes: under "Treasurer's Report" the date when projected water testing figures should be in to Jeff for next year's budget, is 10/1/18.

*Correction to February agenda: Eagle Scout Court of Honor to be held Feb 17th, not January 17th as stated.

Treasurer's Report:

Jeff was out of town, but left statements. We are working with a clean slate and will not be funded until after the town elections in March.

Correspondence:

A monitoring report from Rockingham County Conservation District for Kemp farm was read and reviewed.

A letter from OEP regarding Manuel encroachments was read. These issues need must be addressed in spring. Read a letter sent to the Fidlers by OEP/Steve Walker.

Evy updated the commission on a technical review of Marshall Rd storage units that she was asked to attend. We reviewed plans again.

DES:

Pelegirino, Lefevre Dr.: negative impacts on a vernal pool - more info was requested on developer's permit request.

DES letter:

12 Shore Rd., nothing more requested on timber cut, but we noted that the logger has been fined for violations.

PB:

1 Meeks Road plans were reviewed, with no additional comment at this time.

New Business:

The projected new firehouse location was discussed. The CC is unanimously opposed to the proposed location on Wadleigh Point Road on the location of the old YMCA camp, for reasons expressed in our comments at the deliberative sessions.

Bob Smith gave report on the preliminary meeting of the new trail mapping committee. The committee hopes to have a central kiosk with a map including QR codes, for all public access trails in Kingston, by the time of the 325th celebration. The committee would like to become a subcommittee of the CC, so that they are town sanctioned.

Presentation by the King's Landing Condo Assoc. regarding making room for "limited common areas" not properly designed on all units for by the builder. (Trendezza) Specifically: Three of the units would need to further encroach on the vernal pool buffer to allow for an LCA. In theory, the CC would be strongly opposed to encroachment on this sensitive space. **Evy will speak with Dennis Quintal and Glenn Greenwood.**

Trails:

Action item: Valley Lane Forest needs permanent trail "you are here" signs along the trail to eliminate the need for paper maps. It was mentioned that we could post signs along the trails similar to those at Tucker French. There is no dependable and efficient way to keep the kiosk stocked maps,.

Valley Lane also needs much maintenance to trails and informational tree and plant markers

Discussion of "other" and bucket list items was postponed to the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM

Next meeting is on March 8th

