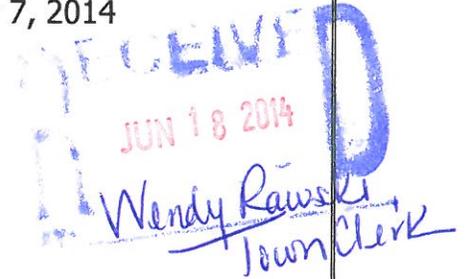


OFFICIAL MINUTES:
Eliot Conservation Commission
Eliot, Maine 03903
OFFICIAL MINUTES: Business Meeting

DATE: April 2, 2014
APPROVED: May 7, 2014



OFFICERS:
Chairman:
Vice chairman: Glenn Crilley
Secretary: Claudette Moran
Treasurer: Jeff Duncan

Meeting was called to order at 7:12PM at Town Hall

In attendance: Glenn Crilley, Connie Weeks, Jeff Duncan, Kim Richards, Claudette Moran, and Jack Murphy, (BOS)

Absent: Ernie Bruneau, Orland McPherson

Guest:

FINANCIAL REPORT: no changes in current year.

PAST MINUTES: accepted as amended for March 6, 2014.

JOHNSON LANE TOWN FOREST: Tin Smith was unaware of a timeline for seeking a warrant article. He is working on drafting a P&S as well as a warrant article for the 10 acres up at Johnson Lane. Since this article will not be ready for printing, we discussed how to pay for this land. We considered using one half of our funds from the Land Bank and asking the town to use unassigned reserved fund monies for the remainder.

ECC BUDGET FOR 2014-2015: The BOS originally set a budget of \$0.00 for the ECC until Jack Murphy spoke in favor of funding. They finally approved \$1400.00 for fiscal 2014-2015.

PUBLIC OUTREACH: Kim Richards said that the ECC award is now hanging in the main meeting room.

PUBLIC OUTREACH: Pamphlet Education- Kim has designed a tri-fold brochure on several focus areas in town. She was looking for input from ECC members before moving forward on this project. The areas she proposes: York Pond, Town Forest, Dead Duck, Frankfort Island; Farm Lands, Vernal Pools. She proposed putting these brochures on the town website as downloads, putting some hard copies in Town Hall, the Post Office, the Library. Kim will talk to Barbara about the Town color copying costs for the pamphlets as well as checking at Staples to determine the maximum cost of publishing them for distribution in the above mentioned places as well as during Eliot Festival Days, Election days, etc.

ECC FACEBOOK PAGE: Kim Richards said that Dana Lee, Town Manager, had no objection to Kim creating a Facebook page on behalf of the ECC so long as it includes a disclaimer that it is not a Town run page.

OPEN SPACE PLAN: We looked at the plan beginning on page 39 -50 to prioritize the ECC's commitment. We identified those items that have been accomplished, are in progress or on-going, need to be addressed. We concluded that 1.1- done, 2.5, 2.6 and 2.8 in progress, 3.1, 3.2 need to contact the Land Trust regarding cost of conservation easement on town owned properties. Connie will contact GWRLT.; 4.1 SMRPC/MEAC, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4.

Motion to continue on page 50 #5 at the May meeting was unanimously approved.

The ECC will write a letter to the BOS regarding the ECC's accomplishments and focus toward the Open Space Plan.

FRIENDS OF YORK RIVER: nothing new

DEVELOPMENT PROJECT REVIEWS: none

OLD BUSINESS: regarding the grant for improved public access to the waterway in Eliot- Grover Avenue is a third access site not mentioned in the Sentinel article.

ROUND TABLE: Over the last several years Steve Towne, Tim Straz and Jeff Duncan have worked as a committee regarding bike trails in Eliot. Jeff attended a meeting in Sanford with the Bike Trails Group that is creating bike trails throughout Maine. The focus of the meeting was how to use and develop bike trails.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:00PM at Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Claudette C. Moran
Secretary, ECC

cc: Eliot town clerk
Commission Members
Commission File