

Kennebunkport Conservation Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom call Monday September 13, 2021

Members present: Carol Laboissonniere, Carol Morris, Steven Hanna, Jennifer Comeau, Karen Hall, Susi Wolff, Robin Phillips, Selectman Mike Weston

- **Choose a new chair for KCC:** The board agreed to a collaborative strategy, rather than choosing a new chair, citing the number of new members. The board will revisit this topic in January 2022. Carol L will be focusing her attention on the Pesticide/Fertilizer Land Use Proposal.
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- **Welcome new members:** Welcome Karen Hall and Susi Wolff to KCC.
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- **Strategy for KCC involvement in the Goose Rocks Beach water quality issue:**
The group acknowledged the importance of continued monitoring of water quality at GRB and both the Little River and Batson River. Steve Hanna has been involved in the water testing program for 15 years and stated that the occurrence of four tropical storms this summer likely aggravated the problem. Steve will continue his involvement.

Action: Please reference water quality report sent in attachment from Carol L.

- **Discussion as to point person/persons to Climate Action Plan:** Members decided to form a subcommittee of three to address this issue. Steve Hanna, Karen Hall, and Jen Comeau will work on this. Steve's focus will be on the science aspect of this plan as well as the greenhouse gas emissions reporting station in town. Karen Hall and Jen Comeau will focus on education and outreach.

Action: Group should review KCC Climate Action goals in document sent by Carol L.

- **Discussion as to point person/persons for interacting with the planning board on reviewing/recommending land use ordinance changes.** Robin Phillips and Carol Morris will work together to attend planning board meetings and keep up on proposed projects and how they may relate to the KCC. Beth Richardson had volunteered for this but has since resigned from the KCC. Mike Weston suggested the KCC could make a recommendation for no clearcutting and to look at fines associated with prohibited cutting of trees. He also expressed his concern for the probable flooding of Dock Square and cited Amsterdam as an example.

Action: Review Kennebunkport Land Use Ordinances.

- **Choosing the date of next meeting as the regularly scheduled meeting date falls on a holiday:** Members agreed via email to meet on Wednesday October 13, 2021 6:30-8:00.
- **Notes:** Jen Comeau will update the spreadsheet of ongoing projects and send them out separately.