

Kennebunkport Conservation Commission Meeting
October 13, 2021
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Zoom Meeting

Members present: Carol Laboissonniere, Carol Morris, Steven Hanna, Jennifer Comeau, Robin Phillips

Members absent: Karen Hall

The meeting was opened by Carol Morris at 6:30 pm

It was announced that Susi Wolff had resigned from KCC due to work commitments

Review Chairperson Role: The committee members briefly discussed experiences over the past month during the period when we had a “collaborative” strategy. Jennifer Comeau nominated Carol Morris as the new chairman and it was seconded by Steve Hanna. Approved unanimously.

Approval of September minutes: The minutes from the September meeting were approved (moved by Carol L. and seconded by Jennifer Comeau) as corrected.

Assign minutes of meeting: Steve Hanna agreed to take notes and write the minutes for the meeting.

Discuss Town Feedback on KCC Goals/Process – On 22 September, Carol Morris and Carol Laboissonniere met with Laurie Smith (Town Manager) and Werner Gilliam (Planning Director) to discuss KCC goals. Carol M and Carol L prepared and distributed (on 23 September) a two-page summary of the discussions that took place, which primarily focused on the Town’s expectations of the committee and the process for making solid recommendations toward meeting conservation and climate change goals. During the KCC meeting on 13 October, Carol M. presented an overview of the items in the document, and several topics received further discussion.

Discussion of Committee Priorities & Outcomes for presentation to Select Board –

Carol Morris had prepared an informal survey of the Conservation Commission Members regarding priorities and distributed it via the web a few days before the meeting. After receiving the results of the survey, she prepared a three-page summary of the results, including a ranking of Member priorities. That document was provided to members on the morning of the meeting. The committee spent about 45 minutes discussing each topic and the best ways to proceed.

Action: The priorities identified as high by the committee will be presented to the Select Board at an upcoming meeting (date TBD).

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.