



Bank Building, 20 Centre Street, Middleborough, Massachusetts 02346

## MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Location: Middleboro Town Hall Auditorium (upstairs)

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

Wardens Present: Tom Barron, Carol "Krill" Carson, David Cavanaugh, Bill Orphanos, Emily Ryan, Brad Day, Ron Burgess

Absent:

Observers Present: Louise Dery-Wells

Visitors:

### **Unanticipated:**

### **New Business:**

1. Motion by Ron to accept the minutes of the June 8th meeting

Second: Tom. Unanimous.

2. Dave began discussion about inventory control and passed around an inventory list for the committee to review. There are many people who are no longer on the commission that still have items in their possession such as jackets.

Discussion surrounding how to go about collecting these items and reaching out to people to request them back since they belong to the commission and the town.

3. Dave mentioned that Bruce Chase had asked about potentially changing the meeting date if the rest of the committee was in agreement.

Motion made by Ron to change the meeting to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month.

Second: Tom – with the amendment to start in September

Brad mentioned if we start in August, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday will be the first day the ecoharvester is set to begin.

Motion passed unanimously to change the meeting to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday on every month, starting in September.

## Old Business

1. a. Dave discussed river work that was completed in previous month and how well it went. Made mention and thanked Krill's interns for helping out.  
Dave mentioned he saw many fry in between the boxes and perhaps adult herring in the box as well. No fry sighting at Vaughn or Wareham Street.  
Tom saw first school of fry this past weekend. And noted an increase in water level due to rain perhaps led to the fry sighting. Many factors impact fry movement such as water level, water temperature, etc.
- b. Dave mentioned there is still river work that needs to be done at Wareham Street, weed removal is priority.  
Dave also brought fishway drawings and photos for discussion at Oliver Mill. No new status of next phase at Oliver Mill.  
Brad mentioned there is a birch tree down at Wareham Street and a possible need for a planned work date to cut down the tree and clear other debris in river.  
Tom added that Bridge Street to Vaughn Street also needs work and was never done after previous discussion.  
Bill mentioned that the canoe race was cancelled this past year due to COVID and therefore the river was not cleared of blockages like it usually is.
2. a. Brad gave update on ecoharvester work and schedule. August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> are the dates given to the company and Brad will meet them on site first thing.  
A dry run was scheduled with the ecoharvester company a week before and will kayak with the project manager to show the site and explain the plan.  
Ron explained the weed dumping site is cleared from previous usage and has tree-line edges  
Further discussion about specific logistical details for the ecoharvester arrival and permit requirements.  
Dave added that LakeCAM asked to notify them of the date so they can capture the event.
- b. Ron distributed sediment plans to Rep. Orrall and he was very interested, hoping a political push would help move the plans to action.  
Ron also spoke with Gary from treatment plant and is looking for support.  
Tom will meet with Mike on the matter as well.  
Dave made a motion to pay for the three printings from the state money.  
Second: Tom  
Unanimous.

## Communications and Bills

1. Dave reminded the committee of the upper Nemasket meeting, and that public input was requested.

Motion by Ron to adjourn. Second: Krill: Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM