

Groton Greenway Committee  
Open Session Minutes, 11.7.18, 7:00 PM  
Town Hall

Adam Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier and Carole Greenfield were present. Marina Khabituyeva was also present.

- I. Upon a motion by Carole Greenfield, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to accept the amended minutes of the September 20, 2018, Groton Greenway Committee meeting.

The vote was unanimous.

- II. Wild and Scenic River Study

- A. Adam will ask David Pitkin to send the complete list of businesses that have supported the Groton River Festival (in kind or financially) so that a letter may be sent to the Wild and Scenic River Study Committee.

- III. New Groton Greenway Member

- A. The need to recommend Marina Khabituyeva to the Board of Selectmen as a member of the Groton Greenway Committee was discussed.  
B. Adam will contact the Board of Selectmen to recommend her.

- IV. River Festival and Ideas for Encouraging Interest in the River

- A. Adam reported that the banner for the River Festival will be put up on Main St. the week before the River Festival.  
B. Adam will check with David Pitkin and Pete Carson to confirm the date of June 9 for the next River Festival, 2019  
C. A review of last year's River Festival will be done at the next meeting when David Pitkin is present.  
D. Carole Greenfield suggested some ideas for encouraging interest in the river, such as an event with the Watershed Association inviting people to tell stories about the river. She also suggested the need to identify landowners along the river for when parcels come up for sale.

- V. Nod Road

- A. Adam will contact the conservation agent by Friday, Nov. 9, 2018 regarding setting up a meeting to discuss Nod Road and the Open Space Plan as well as our mission to make the Nod Road area a functional piece of ground, such as an area for nesting ground birds.

He will share concerns about the area, the history of the area and what has been documented to date, possible next steps.

VI. Fitch's Bridge

- A. Adam will discuss with the conservation agent ideas and approaches on how to deal with littering.

VII. 2018-2019 Priorities

- A. Nod Road Issue
- B. River Festival
- C. Identification of land owners along the river and notice of when parcels come up for sale. Marina will invite Ann Gagnon and Marion Stoddart to the Dec, 13, 2018 meeting of the Groton Greenway Committee

Carol Coutrier will send out a list of all meeting dates through June, 2019. She will also send out a contact list of Groton Greenway Committee members.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Adam will contact the Selectmen regarding Marina's Greenway Committee membership.
2. Adam will ask David to send a complete list of businesses that have supported the River Festival to be sent to the Wild and Scenic River Study Committee.
3. Adam will confirm the River Festival date of June 9 with David Pitkin and Pete Carson.
4. Adam will set up a meeting with the conservation agent by Friday, Nov. 9 to discuss Nod Road and the Open Space Plan. He will also discuss approaches and ideas on how to deal with littering at Fitch's Bridge.
5. Marina will invite Ann Gagnon and Marion Stoddart to the next Greenway meeting on Dec.13.
6. Carol will send out a contact list of Groton Greenway Committee members as well as a list of meeting dates through June, 2019.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on Dec. 13, 2018 at Town Hall at 7 PM..

Upon a motion by Carol Coutrier, seconded by Carole Greenfield, it was

VOTED: to adjourn.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Coutrier