

Groton Greenway Committee
Open Session Minutes, 1.10.19, 7:00 PM
Town Hall

Adam Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier, Marina Khabituyeva and David Pitkin were present. Marion Stoddart was a guest.

*Marina is now an official member of the Groton Greenway Committee.

- I. Upon a motion by Carol, seconded by Marina, it was

VOTED: to accept the amended minutes of the Dec. 13, 2018, Groton Greenway Committee meeting.

The vote was unanimous.

- II. 2018 Annual Town Report Write-up for Groton Greenway Committee
Adam will draft the report and send it to Groton Greenway Committee members for their review. Review comments, suggestions should be sent to him by Jan. 17, 2019. David suggested that Adam review past minutes.
- III. Open Space Plan
- A. Adam met with Nik Gualco, Conservation Administrator, and he suggested that we go through the plan and capture anything relevant to the Greenway Committee.
 - 1. Adam also discussed Nod Road dump situation with Nik. He mentioned the fact that the cap needs to be maintained, and a possible future use for the space could be a meadow. Nik wants to see our draft plan for investigation.
 - 2. Adam also discussed the Fitch's Bridge situation.
 - 3. Nik will set up a meeting with DPW and the police to address the issues.
 - B. Greenway Committee will go through the plan and see what might apply to us.
 - C. David suggested that Adam take the items relevant to the Greenway Committee and include in the Annual Town Report.
- IV. River Festival
- A. The date of June 9 has been confirmed.
 - B. The banner hanging for Main St. is in the calendar.
 - C. David cannot do the marketing this year, so we will need to find someone to do that.
 - D. Carol suggested that David send a list of marketing tasks to the Greenway Committee.

- E. Russ needs to be contacted regarding fundraising.
- F. David will contact the Firefighters Association regarding the food.
- G. Adam will ask Pete for a list of exhibitors, and he will ask if Pete will be contacting them.
- H. Marina will contact Anne Gagnon regarding an exhibit for fly casting, tying flies and fishing and inquiring about U.S. Fish & Wildlife Herring Program.
- V. Review Action Items from Dec, 13, 2019 Meeting
 - A. All action items were reviewed and have been carried out.
- VI. Action Items
 - 1. Adam will draft the Groton Greenway Committee report for the Annual Town Report and send to Greenway members. The deadline on comments is Jan.17, 2019.
 - 2. Groton Greenway Committee members will go through the Open Space Plan and note what might apply to the Greenway Committee. Comments should be sent to Adam.
 - 3. David suggested that Adam take the items for which the Greenway Committee is responsible and include them in the Annual Report.
 - 4. David will share the list of marketing responsibilities for the River Festival with the Greenway Committee.
 - 5. A marketing person for the River Festival will need to be found.
 - 6. Russ will need to be contacted regarding River Festival fundraising .
 - 7. David will contact the Firefighters Association regarding the food.
 - 8. Adam will send Nik the draft plan for Nod Road.
 - 9. Adam will ask Pete for a list of exhibitors and inquire if Pete will be contacting them.
 - 10. Marina will contact Anne Gagnon regarding an exhibit for Fish & Wildlife on fly fishing, fly tying, fishing. She will also ask her about U.S. Fish & Wildlife and the Herring Program.

Note: Carol suggested that Groton Greenway Committee members be encouraged to join the Nashua River Watershed Association.

David suggested that Groton Greenway Committee members also be encouraged to join the Groton Conservation Trust.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on Feb.7, 2019 at Town Hall at 7 PM..

Upon a motion by Carol Coutrier, seconded by David Pitkin, it was

VOTED: to adjourn.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Coutrier