Groton Greenway Committee Open Session Minutes, 2.20.20, 7:00 PM Town Hall

Adam Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier, David Pitkin, and Marina Khabituyeva, were present. Guests were Pete and Diane Carson, Russ Murray.

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

VOTED: to accept the minutes of the Jan. 23, 2019, Groton Greenway Committee meeting.

The vote was unanimous.

II. River Festival

- A. David Pitkin reviewed the River Festival items on Trello:
 - 1. Site has been reserved for June 7.
 - 2. Banner location has been reserved for the week prior.
 - 3. Pete will contact all the groups and give them the date. Ducks Unlimited boats are important to get early.
 - 4. David will make the contact for the food.
 - 5. Marina will help with marketing. Volunteers are needed.
 - 6. David will bring a list of people who will be funded to the next meeting.
 - 7. David: Fresh ideas are needed: Suggestions included
 - a. Diane: Paddleboard, Yoga demonstration.
 - b. Wilderness program
 - c. Family friendly event
 - d. Scavenger hunt
 - e. David will contact the scouts about a booth and an activity
 - f. Bees
 - g. Invite Rail Trail people
 - h. Russ Performance Indian Hill children's orchestra
 - 8. Diane will make cardboard canoe contacts
 - 9. No flyer in Groton Herald
 - 10. Arts & Crafts need to contact last year's coordinator
 - 11. Adam will contact Fish and Wildlife re: Herring
 - 12. Russ asked for sponsor ideas Carol suggested Rollstone Bank

III. Nod Road Dump

- A. MIT visit with the Dept of Community Initiative was shared.
- B. Adam will do a write-up for the Selectboard regarding clearing the land of trees to make a meadow for ground nesting birds. The site needs to be managed and stabilized to keep the cap from getting torn. Therefore, present the Selectboard with a document detailing what we know of the facts and to share our thoughts about establishing a meadow.

Note: Adam shared that he has finished the Greenway Committee Annual Report.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2020, 7 PM at Town Hall.

Upon a motion by Carol, seconded by Marina, it was

VOTED: to adjourn.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Coutrier