

Weir River Estuary Park Committee
Minutes of Meeting
November 29, 2011, at Estuary Center, GWB,Hull

Present: Dick Avery (Cohasset)--SCRIBE; Faith Burbank (Hingham), Amy May, Judeth Van Hamm, Scott Plympton (Hull)
Absent: Sarah Charron(Cohasset), Kirk Schiltz (Hingham)
Guests: None

1. Meeting began at 7:00 P.M.

2. Minutes of November 11, 2011, were amended and will be circulated by Scott

3. Resource Management Plan (RMP) Drafting

(a) Amy May provided the group with a compendium of comments garnered from

invited guests at previous meetings.

(b) Before getting into specifics, we reviewed the question of why is a plan being

drafted. Answers included:

To give focus to the three towns

To coordinate priorities between communities

To provide a sense of entity to the park

To clarify role of this tri-town committee

To give focus to a forum on the future of Weir River Estuary Park

(c) With reference to the ACEC RMP Contents per Dick Avery's 12/01/10 Outline:

Change Purpose to "Goals of a RMP"

Note that 1.a. 1.b., 1.c., 1.e., and 1.f. are covered by the Land Protection Plan

Note that 1.d. and 1.g. provide the focus of a RMP

Added item 1.h. "Set in motion an annual forum for collaborating on issues and

highlighting actions taken and not taken during the prior year."

Under item 2.f. note that significant marshes/salt marshes need to be noted.

(d) Introduction should note the significant achievements of last 10 years.

(e) Amy May will experiment with "mapping" recorded comments against the 12/01/10 ACEC RMP Contents Outline mentioned above.

4. Other immediate issues

(a) Liz Sorensen is leaving ACEC. Scott will compose a letter to be sent to her with our signatures

(b) Noonan Property in Hingham. The house lot is offered for sale for \$700,000.

Hingham CPC wanted to buy other parts of the Noonan property. Therefore,

Moved WREP will send a letter to the chair of the Hingham Conservation and

Acquisition Committee asking that they resurrect their former proposal re Noonan

Property to go on the Warrant for Hingham Town Meeting in April 2012

5. Schedule of Upcoming Meetings for 2012

January 24 -- Hingham Town Hall

February 28 -- Estuary Center

March 27 -- Estuary Center

April 24 -- Hingham Town Hall

May 22 -- Estuary Center

June 26 -- Estuary Center

Adjourned at 9:00 P.M.