

Georgetown Conservation Commission**Meeting Minutes****December 16, 2013 – Town Office**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm

- Quorum determined: Present were: Robin Moore* (Chair), Rosalie Paul**, Nancy Kinner *, Kathy Gravino*, Ruth Indrick (guest), Bill Plummer (Selectman) (*=Conservation Commission member; ** Associate Member).
- Minutes from November 11, 2013 meeting were approved, as presented.
- Project Updates
 - **Project Canopy Grant** – John, Kate, Robin
 - The synthesis report will be written in the coming month by John Hagan. It will be a few pages and will give the options and costs/benefits associated with them.
 - There will be another public meeting to share the synthesis report results in March. The community's comments will be incorporated in the final report that the CC forwards to the Selectmen by early April.
 - Both reports will be posted on the website and copies will be available in the town office.
 - For the clean out of any conservation land, the State of Maine will come to chip the brush if volunteers haul it to the side of the road. If this event is CC organized, the town can put these volunteers on workmen's compensation for ~\$3/person (probably per event, Billy will check on this). Volunteers will need to be informed about this. There may need to be a form for volunteers to sign.
 - There may be an opportunity next fall to visit the Project Canopy plots and collect sensors. Perhaps students could each get a little quadrant and draw what's there and how it is changing.
 - **ACTION:** Billy Plummer will check on the cost per person for compensation insurance.
- **Climate Change-Sea Level Rise Project** – Kate/John
 - The students will have a draft of their part of the report to the CC by January 21.
 - The old dump site is being monitored by MEDEP. This may be in the shoreline zone. The students should check on this on the DEP website. They can also check for USTs.

- **KELT Water Monitoring Project** - Ruth
 - Ruth is working on the report from this year's monitoring. This report will be posted on the CC website. An article will be written for the TIDE.
 - The Georgetown School children marked new sea levels at Reid State Park to see what future water heights might be.
- **Island Sustainability Committee (ISC) – Rosalie**
 - The ISC will be meeting to discuss other possible activities besides those associated with food.
- **Facebook Page, Website and Marketing CC** –Robin, Kate, John
 - John has done a great job building the new CC website. Rosalie will do Sustainability, Ruth will do KELT sampling, and NEK will do water quality.
 - Facebook page should have a link to the new CC website and vice versa. Kate and Robin will work on the Facebook link.
- **MACC-Kathy**
 - Some CC photos were posted in MACC display being held at “Patagonia” in Freeport.
 - Kathy will investigate whether CC should have a poster at the Maine Land Trust Alliance Conference in April.

IV. Old Business

- **KELT Marsh Migration Program**
 - Kate did a terrific job at the KELT marsh migration program on November 21. Her handout was excellent.
- **New Business:**
 - a. **CC Report for Town Annual Report:** Kathy will write the report for this year's edition (2012-2013).
- **Next Meeting: January 20, 2014 at 7 PM.**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kinner

Secretary