

Conservation Commission Minutes
6/5/17

Attendees: Megan Sheehan, Bob McKeagney, Dan Hogan, Barbara Dee, Bret Bergst, Cory McKenna (new member)

Previous meeting's minutes were accepted

Conservation Commission Budget

It was discussed that we need to meet with Pat Cloutier to get better clarification on how an SPCC budget could help us further advance our goals and that of freshwater protection in the city.

Mildred Street Gully Project

It was discussed that we need to figure out exactly what we need to do to get in step on this project with the Water Protection Department.

FWCF projects with South Portland Schools

Bob is meeting with Ken Kunin about the potential to formalize projects around the FWCF grants. Is to include Megan on future meetings, and to provide an update on where things stand at next meeting

Harbor Dredging

Dan heard from Ivy at Friends of Casco Bay and is doing a little more digging on the cell longevity and how long they're effective so that the SPCC can formally approve the project.

O'Neill Street Project

A walk-through of the property is scheduled for this Tuesday, June 20. I would encourage all of us to attend. Barb indicated there is a lot of talk about the environment and open space when brainstorming about the future of this space.

Open Space Planning

Patti Smith told Barb that she would like the Conservation Commission to lead on the Open Space Plan proposal. Barb will write the first draft. It is to include:

- Specific amount of money we'd need
- Which consultant to use
 - Up to us to choose (FB Environmental)
- Use the Greater Portland Council of Government (Christina Egan) documents as a guide
 - Barb sent us this packet of info
- Very detailed bulleted list of our process and what we want to accomplish

Welcome New Member

Cory McKenna