

Town of Germantown
Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Committee

Zoom

November 11, 2020

Final Minutes

Members in attendance: Jan Borchert, Martin Overington, Karen Targove, Tony Albino, Christina Bohnsack, , Jo Hills, Public observers Kaare Christian, and Adriana Beltrani. Location: Virtual Zoom

Meeting Minutes prepared by Jo Hills

Meeting was chaired by Jan Borchert

Meeting called to order at 7:08

Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements:

Ellen Jouret-Epstein has decided to resign from the committee as she has time restraints and she noted that she leaves the committee in good hands.

Adriana Beltrani, a new Germantown resident who is an environmental planner with the firm Nelson, Polk and Voorhis has joined the committee as an interested resident. She has worked on LWRP's and Climate Smart Communities.

The Minutes of the October meeting were displayed, shared, several corrections were made. Motion to accept the corrected minutes made by Christina Bohnsack, seconded by Karen Targove, all approved.

Contract — We are executing our contract with the state — October 22 version. The town attorney reviewed and provided input. A question was raised regarding who will be managing the grant and who will submit to the state for reimbursements, and at what point does the clock start ticking. Albino made the motion that the Town Board move forward with the contract with any minor changes that need to be made, seconded by Overington, all in favor.

Finalizing the RFP — Borchert suggested we set up a committee to finalize the RFP before the end of the year. The committee will be made up of Borchert and Crawford, Barbara Hughey was nominated, and William Shannon volunteered.

Interview Committee — Robert Beury suggested setting up an interview committee made up of people from our committee, the Town Board, the Planning Board, or others. How many people and how to select them. Further discussion tabled until next meeting.

Kiosk Update by Bohnsack -- Town Board will be voting on the Kiosk at tomorrow night's meeting. If approved it should be up in a few weeks. Discussing the text — Roe Jan or Lasher might be a good spot for Native American history. We need guidance from Town Board on town rules.

Tid Bits

NY DEC awards grants to 8 Hudson river Estuary Communities.

AMTRAK is parking big trucks down at Roe Jan Boat Club — not sure what they are doing but it could be the stabilization of the cliffs.

Army Corps of Engineers is dredging off Lasher Park and it is eating away our shoreline.

Climate Smart Communities – Will be going before Town Board tomorrow night. The deadline to apply is December 15th, and the program would bring a lot of consulting and technical assistance. Christian expressed enthusiasm for the town to take advantage of this program. Bohnsack gave her thoughts on the WAC becoming more officially involved in environmental and climate issues. If Town Board approves, LWRP Committee and WAC could be involved and Beltrani expressed interest in being involved.

Next meeting on Monday, December 14th.

Hills made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Targove, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:22.

