

Minutes
Waterfront Advisory Committee
Zoom
July 6, 2020

Attending: Martin Overington, Kaare Christian, Tom Shannon, Donald Dubac, Art Cady and Jo Hills.

Martin Overington called the meeting to order at 7:03.

Minutes — A motion to accept the June minutes with minor changes made by Kaare Christian, seconded by Donald Dubac. All in favor; minutes accepted.

Bank Account: Germantown Neighborhood Association deposit of \$4297.67. New balance: \$6926.92

OLD BUSINESS

Barges

Nothing new.

Water Chestnut Update

Tom Shannon reported that there is some regrowth especially during low tide. May need another cleanup.

History Kayak Tour

Tom Shannon may reschedule to tour during Hudson River Ramble.

Ice House Landing Party

Rescheduled for Sunday, July 24.

Hover Grant

Shannon submitted a grant for maintenance of pontoon boat to be used for weed pulling for 2023.

Roe Jan Proposal

Town Board accepted going electric at Roe Jan. Christian will update the change from solar to electric on the grant.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Chestnut Equipment

A private donor has paid for the purchase of an Alphaboat 8-foot wide weed cutter which will be propelled from the front of a used pontoon boat. Alphaboats is building it now and shipping soon. Christian brought up the issue that the cutter will be privately owned and how we should handle this. Can Friends of the River register this boat?

\$2000 dollars of the GNA will be spent on a pontoon boat. Money has to be available to be able to grab a boat when it shows up on eBay or elsewhere.

A vote was unanimously made to approve these two purchases. There have been a few other donations towards chestnut cleanup.

Fundraising

Jo Hills spoke with Christina Bohnsack about ordering more totebags for fundraising. Discussion followed. Christian brought up the need to check with Town as to how to handle sales. Do we need to collect taxes, etc? A vote was made to approve \$1000 of the GNA money for purchase.

Request to Spend Money

Motion made for Overington will send a letter to Town Board requesting \$3000 for the pontoon boat and totebags. All approved.

Water Chestnut discovered in Lake George South

Chestnuts may be coming from the chestnut-infested Fire Pond sprays as well as from peoples boats. Keep looking and reporting what you see. Phragmites are also present in the Park.

Swimming at Roe Jan

Arthur Cady reported on "Private Property / Trespassers May be Prosecuted" signs and chains put up by the Sportsman's Club. A

discussion on how to determine exactly who owns what and where Germantown boundaries on the Roe Jan are followed. Cady and Shannon will continue to work on this.

Trees

Overington will contact Barbara Hughey about trees in Cheviot.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56.

Next meeting: Monday, August 1 at 7 pm