

Minutes
Waterfront Advisory Committee
Zoom
November 7, 2022

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

Martin Overington called the meeting to order at 7:10 and mentioned that several members missing since many Tuesday night (election night) meetings were changed to Monday.

Minutes — A motion to accept the October minutes made by Donald Dubac, seconded by Overington All in favor; minutes accepted.

Town Account — 3,927.05

Friends of the River Account — \$2000 went to pay off pontoon boat loan. The balance of \$1010 will go to tote bags

OLD BUSINESS

Barges

Nothing new.

Ice House Landing Party

Rescheduled for Saturday, November 12, ten to one. LWRP invited.
Food. Sunday Rain Date

Roe Jan Boundaries

Art Cady reported on his research into the boundaries and ownership of the Roe Jan River. See report at end of minutes.

Hover Grant

Money to be spent on the boat, rakes, boat cover.

Partners for Climate Grant

Submitted, we should hear in January.

Weed Cutter

Should be back from repair by spring

NEW BUSINESS

Bank of Greene County Grant

Accepting grants between December 1 and January 15

Pontoon Boat

The pontoon boat may possibly be stored in the quonset hut.

Water Chestnut Letter

Shannon wrote a grant request to the Department of Environmental Conservation asking for funding to control the water chestnut problem along the river,

Cheviot Park

Plans to reseed the areas where vehicles have destroyed the grass in Cheviot Park and place boulders to keep vehicles in the parking lot.

Open Meeting Law

Town's new Zoom meeting law will go into effect in January. All information on open meetings will be available at Town Hall but the state should be posted online. We will ask if we can put our meetings up on the Sustainable Germantown website.

Fundraising

Taxes? At October's meeting Kaare Christian brought up the subject of how to handle sales.

Motion to end the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:01.

Next meeting: Monday, December 5

Roe Jan Boundaries

The boundaries on the 1955 deed don't sync what is in the Massaro survey. Unlike the deed, survey notes correctly historic ownership ends at the water and also notes historic access to the Kill. The survey agrees with LWRP project that according to a title in the 1950's the old road went to a bridge at the Roe Jan. The old road is the historic and present public access to the Kill as the survey notes and also to the Halsey property. The survey says the town owns half of the road and the Halseys— - own the other half. The LWRP is researching these roads and also the roads that cross the tracks.

Addendum: Art has also found active roads and paper streets to state waters cannot be converted to municipal park. This may be do to navigation access although Anchorage Dock seems to be subject park rules and hours.

In 1914, the State Engineer certified navigation would not be diminished in the state's granting of land west of the railroad. He cited the public's use of twenty boats.