

Minutes
Waterfront Advisory Committee
Zoom
March 7, 2023

Attending: Martin Overington, Donald Dubac, Arthur Cady, Kaare Christian, Donald Westmore and Jo Hills

Martin Overington called the meeting to order at 7:00.

Minutes – Motion to approve February minutes made by Donald Westmore, seconded by Donald Dubac, all in favor.

Finances

Town Account – \$3,927.14

Friends of the River Account – \$1,688.17

Parks holds Hover grant money - \$1500

Kaare Christian said that the Town can write checks for us.

OLD BUSINESS

Swimming Areas

Discussion of whether the LWRP includes all the swimming areas. Christian said check the [Inventory and Analysis Document](#) of 2021 which will be updated.

Railroad Crossings and River Access

Discussion of the “parklike parcel at Lower Main Street.” Scenic Hudson River Access Plan wants more access to the river. Amtrak would like less access – gates and fences proposals. NY State wants no additional grade crossings. Department of Transportation is allied with Amtrak. Scenic Hudson wants to fix the bridges across the tracks. Check gatesgate.org for information.

Historic access to the Roe Jan

The historic access to the Roe Jan (the bridge approach) goes down past three properties which have do not enter signs on their properties. The

Town Survey designates this as public access to the Roe Jan. The road is in great shape.

<https://gatesgate.org/amtraks-five-year-fencing-plan/>

<https://gatesgate.org/scenic-hudson-access-plan-documents/>

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tgzzxueMFJwLJL3x_jeRe016IJchbksd/edit?usp=share_link&oid=116317827927297214511&rtpof=true&sd=true

Ice House Landing

Overington went to Town Board to ask for cleaning up the Landing and putting boulders in to keep cars out. Town Board agreed. The hope is that this will be done by fishing season.

Trees

Deep Roots gave us a quote for trees of three different sizes and delivery — \$5000. Overington reached out to Parks Committee to share the cost with us. Trees will be for Cheviot and Ice House Landing. We will spend \$1000 - \$1500 of our current WAC money and send out letter asking for donations, including donations for memorial trees which will be noted on a plaque on the kiosks. Set up with the Town to make this purchase soon because it takes a while to set up a vendor with the town.

Bag

Bring totes to Riversweep — May 6.

Weeds

We spent \$80 from the Hover Grant on a new tire for the weed whacker trailer.

Calendar

Overington is working up a calendar of events in Germantown.

Grants

Waiting for results from Bank of Greene County in April.

Next meeting is April 3.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Dubac, seconded by Cady..

Meeting adjourned at 8:07