Minutes Waterfront Advisory Committee Zoom July 3, 2023

**Attending**: Martin Overington, Tom Shannon, Donald Dubac, Arthur Cady, Kaare Christian, Adrienne and Don Westmore, Kai Landouw

Martin Overington called the meeting to order at 7:10

Minutes - Motion to approve June minutes made by Donald Dubac, seconded by Arthur Cady, all approved.

Finances - \$972.37 in the Friends of the River account. Spent a few hundred on the spring event.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **ROW to the Landing**

Still working on our access.

#### Barges

Nothing new.

#### Trees

Parks raised \$300 for trees at Cheviot and Ice House.

# Grants

Bank of Greene County check coming into Parks in July. Money to be spent on Ice House Landing.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# Water Chestnut Picking - June 24

Went well. Over 40 people showed up including the Boy Scouts, PRISM (will send us a report), Roe Jan Boat Club, DEC, Didi Barrett — lots of canoes and pickers.

# Letter to Didi Barrett

Thoughts for letter:

- Supporting us for a new grant
- Could DEC and County do the chestnut harvesting?
- Removing the causeway?
- Support to get an agreement with the town, state, AMTRAK and whoever to use the access road to get to Ice House Landing and beyond.

# **Hover Grant**

Sent in an application for \$4000 for 2024 water chestnut cutting fuel and boat repair and maintenance

# Expenses

Discussing money needed for cutter boat.

# Trees

Start planning how many and where at Cheviot. Anthony Cidras will lead this. Planting in the fall.

# Lasher Park

Need to focus on land slippage.

# The Cutter and the Chestnuts

We've been keeping the paths clear through the weeds and along the shore down to Cheviot. Adrienne reported on chestnut harvesting at Oakdale Lake. NY DEC funded a small cutter called a "Weedoo" to Hudson. We could use two of these. To add to our weeding cutting. We could also use a scooper.

# **Camping at Cheviot**

One night. Came in at 10. Quiet but very bright lighting.

Next meeting: August 3,

Motion to adjourn made by Shannon, seconded by Dubac.