

Water Mill CAC
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Minutes for October 10th, 2022

Minutes approved for September 12th and June 11th

Members: Steve Abramson, Karen Sutton, Paul Griffin, Rik Kristiansson, Marlene Haresign, Jamie Egerton-Warbuton, Rachel Verno

Guests: Trustee President Scott Horowitz, Trustee Ann Welker, Chris Pickerell

Mill Pond:

- Discussed much lower than expected results with carp harvesting.
- Unclear what exactly is hampering the efforts.
- Discussed plans for next year. Carp Solutions recommending a June date and possibly including Agawam and Kellis as a means to spend more time in the area.
- Discussed the necessity of conducting a fishery survey in order to get an accurate accounting of conditions in the pond.
- Funding for a fishery survey was not previously approved by the WQIP despite funds allocated for carp removal. Discussed re-applying for funding.
- Ann Welker will be putting material together for the WQIP re fishery survey. Chris Pickerell will supply some material.
- Ann has submitted material to the WQIP for funding of lily pad removal. We have missed the date for successful lily pad removal for this year, so will plan for next year. Chris Pickerell has suggested that July-August would be the best time and we need to book that time asap.
- CAC has agreed that a timeline with specific target dates is needed so that we can make sure to book contractors over the winter before we miss our window.
- Funding approval for lily pad removal and fishery survey must first be approved by the WQIP and then by the Town Board prior to going out to bid and scheduling.
- May is the target date for fishery survey. June for carp removal. July-August for lily pad removal.
- Floating wetlands are doing well.
- Discussed Alum and some pilot programs that are being done.

Tesla & Liberty Iron pre submission plans

- Pre-submission hearings are scheduled.
- CAC seems to no longer be receiving plans via mail. The Liberty Iron pre-submission plans are online for review, but the Tesla application is not on the Planning Board's site.
- Will email Clare Shea for Tesla plans.
- Comments from members for Tesla include parking, lighting, showroom, repair shop, location of charging stations, cross access to the light.
- Only comment for Liberty Iron was whether there was a cross access to Flying Point which there is.

Blinking Light Pilot Program

- Timing of the pilot program off-season will not provide accurate data.
- Cost of initial pilot program and then the cost to actually implement program.
- Light at Station Road will be needed once the townhouse project is completed.
- Will the light be triggered if a pedestrian needs to cross highway.
- How many people use public transportation during those morning hours.
- How will they gauge how much traffic stays on the highway versus the backroads, especially off-season. Traffic counters will be monitored a week before and a week after the pilot program.
- Discussed proposal for Cobb Road. No support for limiting left turns onto Little Cobb heading west since it means motorists would have to cross the highway at Cobb Road which is very dangerous. Members don't understand what the thinking is behind this.
- Discussed proposal for limiting left turns off of Old Mill onto Rt27. Members feel there would have to be more details of how this would be implemented and enforced. Where will motorists be directed to? How will this impact the back roads? Will people just go to Deerfield to make the left onto the highway? Should there be a light at Deerfield? All agree something has to be done about the left turns off of Old Mill, but there has to be more information provided to fully understand how this would be handled.

Referendum on ballot for Affordable Housing

- Discussed what where the specific plans for using this money the referendum is approved.

Minutes taken by Rachel Verno