

TOWN OF SCITUATE BEACH COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes: May 11, 2022
Scituate Public Library – Small Meeting Room

Attendees:	Kelly Bower	Richard Beekman
	Deborah Ceccarini	Andrea Ramsey
	Conor Doherty	Corey Miles
	Brian Taylor (NSRWA)	Frank Longman (Harbor United Methodist Church)
	Chris Longman (Harbor United Methodist Church)	

Minutes:

1. Meeting called to order 6:10 pm.
2. Meeting minutes from 04.13.2022 accepted.
3. Introductions of visitors
4. Beach Clean-up – Scheduled for 4th of June 9-11 am at Peggotty Beach.
 - Harbor United Methodist Church will spread the word and sponsor a pizza lunch
 - Beach has been very clean, we can spread to the marsh and parking lot as time permits. Big items can be collected by DPW
 - NOAA Network of Marine Debris Program – try to catalog items and report. Corey has used in VA
 - Kelly to check with beautification committee to borrow grabbers
 - Harbor United Methodist Church will bring some trash grabbers
 - Kelly to inquire with environmental club and bring DPW bags
5. Brian Taylor – NSRWA:
 - NSRWA has organized beach grass plantings at Peggotty beach twice. Funded through Scituate Education Foundation and planted / provided educational opportunities to Jenkins elementary school 2nd graders and 4th graders. Held in late spring – gave lesson about erosion. Each student was provided with a clump of beach grass. Coordinated with the NSRWA staff scientist and with Scituate conservation commission. NSRWA would be willing to help organize and lead education / planting again, but needs funding to purchase plants.
 - Harbor United Methodist Church holds monthly summer fish fry (1st Friday in June, July, Aug, Sept) to raise money for non-profit work – may be able to help in 2023.
 - Want to plant beach grass while dormant – between Nov 15 and April 15
 - Fencing is maintained by local Peggotty resident; the resident would like more fencing if we're able to find funding
6. Corey Miles – Coastal Updates:

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- Minot renourishment – complete project would require \$8,000,000 to fund. Permits expire year end.
 - CPC application was denied.
 - Applying to CZM for \$2,000,000 (max available per year for a project); town would fund \$200,000.
 - Could try to extend permits
 - Project is technically shovel ready, but the funding is difficult
 - Coastal Resiliency: \$400,000 funding to study how to raise Cole Parkway parking lot
 - Discussed Trash Skimmer for harbor – but this would fall under harbor master
7. First Cliff Beach Access:
- Conor pulled town plot information – appears the plots to the North would have public beach access, but plots to South are privately held beach property
 - Sent a proposal to Conservation on 4/19 to discuss making a path for local residents to use across town plot
8. Food Truck update: permission granted to The Dingy, owned by Katherine Neil for beaches this summer.
9. Metco: Draft proposal is being put together.
- Police chief does not have concerns with additional stickers being issued.
 - 61 families participate in Metco, however probably 10-15 families would pursue a sticker
 - Would need to be purchased in person at City hall with vehicle registration: 1 / household
 - Annual list of families to be provided to Town Clerk to reference.
10. Postpone remaining agenda items until next meeting.
11. Next meeting: June 8th, 2022 at 6:00 pm – in person at Scituate Town Library
- Peggotty clean up: June 4th at 9 am
 - Invite Mike Breen to participate.
12. Meeting adjourned 7:20 pm.