

MINUTES

Sustainability Committee Meeting – VIRTUAL MEETING

February 3, 2022

Attendance: Committee members: Patricia Sesto, Co-chair; Janet Stone McGuigan, Co-Chair; Margarita Alban; Karyn Calcano; Fred Camillo; Sarah Coccaro; Ashley Cole; Elizabeth Dempsey; Julie DesChamps; Susan Foster; Ali Ghiorse; Myra Klockenbrink; JoAnn Messina; Aleksandra Moch; Susan Rudolph; Peter Schweinfurth; Urling Searle; Joan Seguin; Svetlana Wasserman.

Members of the public: Jeff Robertson

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m.
2. **Minutes.** Upon a duly motion made and seconded, the minutes from the January 6, 2022 meeting were approved.
3. Agenda item **“Sector updates”** was taken out of order to present each sector’s efforts to date and goals to Mr. Camillo. Discussion ensued.

Fred Camillo left the meeting at 12:03 PM

4. **Sustainability Certification** – Oberlander, Skverer
 - a. Pilot project survey update – moved to next month

In the absence of Ms. Oberlander and Ms. Skverer, Ms. DesChamps provided a quick update.

Action item: After receipt from sector, Ms. Stone McGuigan to distribute the list of boat clubs and golf courses to Committee members to help fill in contact information gaps.

5. **Participation with land use applications** – Sesto

Discussion ensued surrounding the Sustainability Committee’s involvement in an advisory role to Planning and Zoning and questions were raised regarding if the Committee 1. Wanted to act in this capacity and 2. What the process looked like for receiving and commenting on applications.

Action items: Ms. Klockenbrink to draft 1-2page statement on the Mead Point application to circulate to the Sustainability members before the P&Z meeting on February 15th. Ms. Moch to recommend which P&Z applications the Sustainability Committee reviews. Ms. Sesto to check on the timeline on when P&Z accepts an application and when the Sustainability Committee can view.

6. **Sector Updates:**
 - a. Questions or additional comments on written reports – presented earlier.

7. **Topic Updates:**

- a. State of Sustainability semi-annual Report – Stone McGuigan

Action item: Ms. Stone McGuigan to update the existing report with each sector's information in the report's current format. In advance of the next State of Sustainability Report, the Committee will consider changes to the existing format.

- b. TOG Staffing Request – Stone McGuigan
No update.

- c. Facebook Policies – Stone McGuigan, Sesto
Moved to next month's meeting.

- d. Semi-annual selectman meeting – Stone McGuigan
Moved to next month's meeting.

- e. Meeting schedule – Stone McGuigan
The first Thursday at 11am will continue to be the Committee's meeting day and time.

8. **New business:**

- a. Quiet Yards Greenwich – Dempsey

An education flyer was distributed to the committee for review and approval before the meeting. **Action item:** Ms. Stone McGuigan will email the flyer asking for objections to an electric vote and if the flyer will have our Committee's logo or the "seal of approval" logo.

9. **Next meeting items:**

- Ms. Skverer and Ms. Oberlander to report on the pilot survey for golf courses and marinas.
- Core sector updates – standing item from everyone
- Semi-annual State of Sustainability Report- Stone McGuigan

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 3rd at 11am.

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 PM

Sarah Coccaro
Conservation Resource Manager