

Biddeford Conservation Commission

Thursday, September 21, 2023

6:05 pm -

Attendees: R. Rhames, D. Rioux, M. Atlas, E. Heumiller and M. Lowell

Absent: P. Robbins, P. Conlon

Guests: N. Whitten

Meeting called to order: 6:11p

- I. No July meeting minutes
- II. Adjustments to the agenda – none
- III. Discussion
 - A. Mark Ward Final Report on Clifford Park
 1. *Motion to accept Mark Wards updated fee \$495 fee for Clifford Park Report (formerly \$487.25). - E. Heumiller 6:15*
 - a) *Second - D. Rioux*
 - (1) *No Discussion*
 - b) *Unanimous Approval*
 2. Mark hypothesized that there is an overwintering population of turtles, he found one turtle and feels able to support that conclusion
 - B. Clifford Park Leash Laws
 1. Erik's map overlays
 2. Consideration of trail rerouting - seasonal rerouting or trail closure?
 3. Maine Conservation
 4. Erik to check with Mark and Derek Yorks about seasonal trail closures
 5. Suggestion to make a formal recommendation to the city that all of Clifford Park be put under conservation easement. Follow up with an educational flier to help them understand what a conservation easement is
 - C. Comp Plan
 1. No updates
 - D. Website
 1. Reconvene in October
 - E. Mapping
 1. Prioritize this as a fall project
- IV. Other Business -
 - A. Policy committee easement discussion
- V. Motion to adjourn - M. Lowell
 - A. Second - E. Heumiller
 1. No discussion
 - B. Unanimous