Biddeford Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2018

I. Call to order

Chair called to order the regular meeting of the Biddeford Conservation Commission at 7:05 PM on April 19, 2018 in the Council Chambers.

The following commissioners were present: Tom Craven, Ken Buechs, Sue Amons, Steve Reiter, Marsha Reynolds, Richard Rhames.

The following commissioners were absent: Bill Murray

Guests:

Michelle Furbeck, BCC Outreach Coordinator
Yuriy Reiter

Acceptance of minutes from last meeting: April minutes were approved after amendment.

II. Finance Report

a) $4,685.19

III. Old business

a) UNE Rezoning Proposal

- ✓ May 2nd – next Planning Board Meeting, Commissioners encouraged to attend
- ✓ Options discussed:

  1) Recommendation to accept LR zone unchanged with parcel for shorefront pavilion per current UNE amended plan (including Paragraph 20).

  2) Recommend moving pavilion back per original BCC position.

b) Case for Water Table Model

- ✓ A motion to purchase a carry case to protect the water table model was offered, seconded and unanimously approved. Cost of protective case is $300.00

c) School Outreach Program

- ✓ Biddeford Middle School completed. Ken, Marsha, Michele Furbeck and Steve participated.
- ✓ Saint James School: 7th and 8th grades scheduled for May 11th (8:30 – 11:30 PM)
- ✓ A motion to provide funding to St. James School for field work studies was offered by Tom, seconded and unanimously approved. Cost and list of supplies to be determined.
- ✓ Acton 1) Get updated GS maps to use for school outreach that show streets so the students can find their homes within the TBWS. Contact: Greg Copeland

b) TBWS Industrial Park Storm Drain Stencil Project

- ✓ An update on the project was presented by Eagle Scout candidate Yuriy Reiter of Biddeford Troop 308. Project was submitted to District Eagle Committee Chair. Awaiting review.

IV. New Business

a) Thatcher Brook Management Plan

- ✓ City Engineer, Tom Milligan reports that a new Project Manager has been hired, Whitney Baker.
- ✓ Tom also indicated that "very little" has been done to move the TBMP forward.
- ✓ Action 2) Tom Craven to report on new Project Manager's plan at next BCC meeting in May.

b) UNE Lacrosse Fields

- ✓ Marsha discussed the location of a new Lacrosse field with lighting and viewing stands being constructed at UNE between the intersection of Newtown Road and Rt. 9. No position being taken by BCC at this time.

c) Earth Day Event Participation

- ✓ Scheduled for Saturday, April 28th, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. BCC presentation to include YardSmart and Thatcher Brook Watershed awareness. BCC members encouraged to attend.

Next Regular Meeting: May 17, 2018

Chair adjourned meeting: 9:35 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Steve Reiter, Secretary