

Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for Monthly CAC Meeting
May 2023

Attendees: William Volckmann, Pamela Wadler, Bill Buck, Anne Campbell, Roxanne Roth

NOTE: This meeting is open to the public and will be held by online video/telephone conference to make the meeting as accessible to all as possible in the presence of on-going concerns regarding COVID-19.

Meeting Minutes

 Link to meeting minutes: https://docs.google.com/document/d/19Md0rQz-5FCc3CcqusBbdbJsdvj7teSa37ZGDzOZbRs/edit?usp=sharing

Chair's Report

Update from CAC chair on upcoming events and news affecting conservation activities

- Biodiversity day is upcoming. What can we do to promote our study?
 - Sending in photos?
- Land use leadership conference.
 - Learning how to incorporate what was learning into a community land use plan.
 - Primary focus was on waterways and the Fishkill Creek.
- Pollinator Garden
 - Still looking for someone interested in doing maintenance. Might be worth checking in apartment communities.

KCAC Projects

Review projects the KCAC is currently working on

Climate Smart Communities (CSC)

The Climate Smart Communities committee is a working group to assist the town in achieving Climate Smart goals. The CSC committee will provide an update to the CAC.

No new updates.

Kent Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)

- Need more CAC attendance at regular meetings and document review.
- Next meeting Monday at 7:00 am.

Development updates

No updates.

Town of Kent CAC hikes and events

The Town of Kent CAC has a wonderful inventory of trails and open spaces available for all types of activities, hiking, bicycling, fishing, hunting, and different field sports activities, all here within the town. The CAC encourages everyone to get out and explore our wonderful outdoors. As part of our work, the CAC holds different outdoor events throughout the year to bring folks together for a fun activity combined with some history of the local town.

Planning for new events

- Volunteers needed for tabling event at Arts on the Lake sustainability festival on June 10th. Pamela doing press release.
- Huestis Park Mountain Laurel Hike June 4th 11 am.
- E-Waste event at town center on June 10th (not CAC sponsored).

Social Media Outreach Report

Review activity on Facebook and other social media outlets

No updates

Kent Conservation Foundation Report

Receive a report from the Kent Conservation Foundation

No updates

Meeting End

Final comments from anyone

April meeting minutes approved.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, June 21st by WebEx video/telephone conference.

Contact

For further information about the CAC, including projects the CAC is working on or our meetings, please contact Bill Volckmann, CAC Chair at cac@townofkentny.gov or 914-671-2764.