

Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for Monthly CAC Meeting April 19th 2023

Attendees: William Volckmann, Roxanne Roth, Bill Buck, Courtney Steininger, Anne Campbell

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: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/19Md0rQz-5FCc3CcqusBbdbJsdvj7teSa37ZGDzOZ</u> <u>bRs/edit?usp=sharing</u>

Chair's Report

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

- Eagle scout candidate Evan Lalak from Carmel Troop 1 made a presentation on his ideas for a pollinator garden at the Kent Town Center.
 - Discussed how watering and long term care of the space will need to be planned in advance.
 - Who will maintain the space? Volunteers?

KCAC Projects

Review projects the KCAC is currently working on

Earth Cleanup Day

• Established earth cleanup day plans. CAC to perform roadside garbage cleanup in White Pond area.

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.

Kent Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)

- 1st quarter sheets are (over) due!
- NRI team meeting has changed to the 4th Monday of the month.
- CAC members to review NRI draft and comment.

Development updates

• Soil removal and mining code in final review and should be decided on soon.

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

- Hawk Rock May 27th?
- Hike around Huestis Park?

Social Media Outreach Report

Review activity on Facebook and other social media outlets

• Article on Nimham statue came out recently in Putnam County Press Times

Kent Conservation Foundation Report

Receive a report from the Kent Conservation Foundation

• No news

Meeting End Final comments from anyone

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, April 19th 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.