



Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for Monthly CAC Meeting

February 15th 2023

Attendees: William Volckmann, Pamela Wadler, Roxanne Roth and Bill Buck

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

- Ticks are now in season. No Lonestar ticks have been spotted yet in Putnam though.
- Discussed Amphibious road crossings.

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.

- Next CSC meeting is scheduled for February 27th at 7 pm

Kent Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)

- Q4 Hours are due.
- Fairy Shrimp identified recently in Kent biodiversity study (per Bill Buck)
- Thank you to UConn Museum staff for their assistance with the Kent NRI
- Next NRI meeting is on Feb 27th

E-Waste

- No updates

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

- Hawk Rock May 6th, start time 10 or 11?
- Start planning Star Party for September
- Trash pickup around Nimham (spring?)

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, February 15th 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.