



Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for Monthly CAC Meeting
June 21 2023

Attendees: William Volckmann, Bill Buck, Courtney Steinger, Roxanne Roth, Evan Lalak

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

- Land use leadership conference.
 - Bill Buck attended.
- DEC virtual meeting 6/28 (upcoming) discussed
- Bill did tabling for CAC at Arts on the Lake global water event. Had opportunity to speak to a journalist about water, conservation and algae blooms.
- Huestis Park Mountain Laurel Hike June 4th was a success.

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 meeting scheduled for June 28th 2023

Kent Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)

- KCAC members please review NRI draft and provide commentary.
- Publication is due at end of this year. Need funding for publication.
- Provide hours tracking sheets please.

Development updates

- Mining code updates finalized and voted on.

Other CAC projects

- Town center pollinator garden discussed with Evan Lalak.
 - CAC is volunteering to weed.
 - General discussion RE conversion of lawn space to pollinator planting took place.

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

- Star party for fall?

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

- Volunteers for painting firetower needed.

Meeting End

Final comments from anyone

- May 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.