

CENTER FOR THE INLAND BAYS CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Draft Meeting Minutes June 16, 2016

CAC Members Present

Susie Ball, CAC Chair Steve Britz Absent – Dennis Bartow
Ptery Iris, CAC Secretary Gary Taylor Gary Cannon
John Austin Jocelyn Robinson Pete Keenan
Cheryl Rehrig

CIB Staff Present

Sally Boswell, Education & Outreach Coordinator

Members of the Public

Janet Strickler Bob Taylor

CALL TO ORDER

Susie Ball called the meeting to order at 5:07 P.M.

BUSINESS MEETING

<u>Approval of Minutes of May 19, 2016.</u> Ptery Iris commented that she had forgotten to list Cheryl as absent and would amend that. Steve Britz moved to approve the minutes as amended, Gary Taylor seconded. All were in favor.

Announcements

Susie Ball announced horseshoe crab counts at Tower Road.

Janet Strickler is now eligible for CAC membership and has submitted her application and will be considered at the next CIB Board meeting.

The Clean Water Rally was very successful, with 130 people attending and many groups represented.

The seismic testing petition open window will soon end. Janet will email Susie the date for us.

Executive Director's Report

Sally Boswell reported on behalf of Chris Bason.

Work is being done on the FY2017 work plan;

Summary of new and ongoing projects was distributed.

A FY2016 Accomplishments Summary was reviewed.

Sally discussed contents of the spring/ summer issue of the Inland Bays Journal. She distributed a copy of the Cape Gazette article by Maddy Lauria on June 10, 2016, regarding proposed Dorman Farm development plans and the need to protect Love Creek.

Sally also praised the new CIB staff: Katie Goerger, communications; Andrew McGowan, environmental scientist; and Emily Seldomridge, watershed coordinator. Emily got a grant to look at flooding and stormwater management in Dewey. Sally spoke of the State of the Bays Report coming out in September; it is released every 5 years. She reminded the CAC of the fundraiser Decked Out, scheduled for Thursday, August 4th, 6-9 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Outreach – Chris gave a presentation to DNS. Sally gave a presentation at Bayfront at Rehoboth, off Camp Arrowhead Road. She says they have a lovely march that their Environmental Committee is very enthusiastic and wants to work with the CIB. This may be a Livable Shorelines demo site; Doug Janiec is identifying sites.

Residential Turf Fertilization

There is no update; the presentation will be after the elections.

CAC Diversity

Susie welcomed Bob Taylor, who may be interested in joining the CAC.

Bacterial Contamination

The CIB Board unanimously accepted, with a minor amendment, the CAC proposal to send a request to DNREC. (The Britzes went kayaking in Love Creek yesterday to follow up on the lobelia plantings and found only 2 stakes, and no lobelia.)

BREAK

NEW BUSINESS

Exploration for new committees

A committee for Open Space for Recreation in the Watershed was_established.

Jocelyn will chair this committee; Janet Strickler, Gary Taylor, and Steve Britz will join her.

Advocacy between CIB and developers is needed. There is a state natural areas registry through DNREC's Natural Area Advisory Committee; New Castle County has it in its code, but Sussex does not.

Should we form another committee looking at critical area in Maryland?

Meeting ADJOURNED 7:25 PM. The next meeting will be held on Sept. 15, 2016.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ptery Iris, Secretary.