

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
CONSERVATION-LAKE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2022

7:00 PM

TOWN HALL 2ND FLOOR MEETING ROOM #201 AND VIA ZOOM

MINUTES

Present: Marty Podskoch, Jack Solomon, John Purple, Cheryl Lobo, Chuck Yenknner, Wes Jenks, and Nico Guerrera with Parks & Rec Director Jeremy Hall.

Absent: Victor Rodriguez.

Call to Order: Chairman Yenknner called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall in the 2nd floor meeting room and via Zoom.

Adoption of Agenda: *A motion was made by Mr. Purple, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to adopt the agenda as submitted. Voted 7-0 in favor.*

Approvals:

- a. Minutes of Regular Meeting: December 9, 2021:** *A motion was made by Mr. Purple, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to approve of the December 9, 2021 meeting minutes with no changes. Voted 7-0 in favor.*

Public Remarks: None

Communications and Liaison Reports: The town is looking to include the capital projects with the RFP proposed projects. The Sear's Park and Brookhaven projects are being considered to be covered under capital funding. The members will review the tech budget from NEAR before approving the updates and applying them to the new fiscal year budget. The budget year ends on June 30th.

Presentations: None

Plan Reviews: None

Watershed Project(s)/Federal Funding Update: The town received the verbal 'go ahead' from DEEP to move forward on the projects. The cost of the projects were approved. The documents were drawn up to send to DEEP to be signed. The documents will then be sent back to the commission to be signed before sending back to DEEP. After them, the paperwork will be sent to the Attorney General to be signed and approved. The start time for the projects would be mid-

May with the contractor on board. There is no update on the new grant the commission applied for but the announcement for the grant will be in March.

Old Business

a. Sub-Committee Report on Education/Lake Smart Program Sub-Committee

Update: There will be a new article in the Events magazine about rain gardens. Mr. Podskoch suggested having a speaker come to town to talk about rain gardens in April with another speaker in June to talk about buffer zones.

b. Advisory Panel Update: No update. The meetings need to start up again.

New Business

a. Budget Estimations for Dredging Projects: The members discussed the possibilities of dredging some areas within town including Christopher Brook. It was suggested to get an inspector to look at the dredging locations to get quotes for each site. There are a couple of sites in town that may need or may benefit from being dredged. The members will review the report on dredging from NEAR that was sent to the commission. The dredging would happen during the fall. The monetary cost of dredging would come out of capital expenses.

b. Next Year's Budget Proposal for NEAR: The budget cost for NEAR was sent to the commission. The members will review NEAR's budget and the changes made for the next fiscal budget year. The amount for NEAR was changed to \$30,000. There will still be testing costs added to the budget since Hillary will still test the water for scion bacteria. The water also needs to be tested for the Everblu treatments in the lake. *A motion was made by Mr. Solomon, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to recommend approval of the proposed NEAR budget for the next fiscal year to be sent to Jeff Jylkka the Finance Director. Voted 7-0 in favor.*

Public Remarks: None

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Mr. Yenknier, seconded by Mr. Podskoch, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Voted 7-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk