Quonochontaug - Central Beach Fire District

Long Range Planning Committee

January 16, 2021 9 AM

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Present: Renee Cohen, Anthony Flint, Ellen Frost, Chris Getman, Roy E. Jacobsen, Ron Jarvis, Paul Mathews, Diane McEnroe, George Prior,

Absent: Taylor Rettig

Ellen Frost opened the meeting at 8:33am

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the Draft minutes of December 12, 2020 with corrections.

Ellen reviewed the revised 2021 meeting schedule and it was agreed that additional meetings would be scheduled in February and April, if needed.

A review and update of the various topics and projects undertaken by the LRP committee followed.

Alternate Water Source – no additional activity at this point.

However, the committee recommended that Central Beach identify a full time resident to coordinate with the other communities on Quonnie Neck to appoint and ensure representation and participation in the Town of Charlestown meetings in order to advocate for all issues of interest to Quonochontaug Neck. Ellen will take this recommendation to the BOG.

Metering - C.Getman has conducted outreach calls for information regarding metering. The committee would like to see pros and cons and cost estimates for this project and discussed the benefits of a pilot program.

Fresh Pond – C. Getman continues to reach out to professionals to ascertain the most effective approach for eradication of phragmites. A discussion ensued as to the benefits, disadvantages of various approaches and methods.

Document Retention – D. McEnroe has had additional conversation with Sharon Kinney, Weekapaug. Diane is working on simplify the document list of state retention guidelines and will have an update for the next LRP meeting.

Comprehensive Plan - Continued discussion on next steps and timeline for developing a CB Comprehensive Plan and the topics to be included in community discussions and brainstorming. It was agreed that members of the LRPC would identify areas that they would be willing to focus on to lead discussion at community meetings. The committee agreed that a meeting dedicated to further discussion on the Comprehensive Plan should be scheduled for February.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Frost, Chair