

Town of Wellfleet
Minutes of Rights of Public Access Committee
Virtual Held via Zoom

Monday January 25, 2021 AT 8AM

1. Present: Melissa Yow, John Riehl, Sonya Woodman, Steve Blanchard, Nancy Civetta, Rebekah Eldridge, Helen Miranda

2. Committee introductions. Addition of new member Steve Blanchard. RPAC members agree to rotate the position of committee chair moving forward

3. Current Issues

a. Meeting with Melissa Lowe of Mass Audubon via zoom 2/1/21 at 1pm. John Rhiel and Sonya Woodman plan to attend for an update regarding plans to address SW corner of Lieutenant Island and ditch on access road before the bridge.

b. SW corner of Lieutenant

- **Emergency access to flats:** Should the boulders be removed and replaced with gates so that emergency vehicles have access to tidal flats.
- **Shellfish access:** John riel suggest a blue handicap mat for the foot path to the tides flats at the sw corner. Committee to look into cost and establish a budget.

4. Future Topics

a. Chipman's Cove

- **NW Chipman's:** Conservation Commission looking to acquire parcels 80, 82 and 239. Committee discusses whether this would affect access to Commercial and recreational shellfishing. Vehicle access point is just north of the parcels. Foot traffic should not be affected nor should parking along Nauset Road. Nancy Civetta will have the Wellfleet Shellfish Department issue a letter to the conservation commission assuring access for commercial and recreational fishing through these parcels.

• **SE end of Chipman's Cove**

b. Omaha and Hiawatha Beach Road Access

c. Lieutenant Island, the Boat House Town Landing

d. Pond Access: i.e. Herring Pond, Squire Pond, Paine Hollow

e. Way 100 access at South Lieutenant via Turtle Point

5. Motion made to apply to Town Administration for a budget of \$1500. Sonya Woodman, Melissa Yow, Steve Blanchard, John Rhiel vote in favor.

John Rhiel proposes that Town council be available for future meetings to advise on topics. Helen Miranda advises to formulate questions for Town council to save time.

6. Motion made to approve minutes of meeting on October 19, 2020. Sonya Woodman, Melissa Yow, and John Rhiel vote to approve.

7. Next Meeting to be planned in one month

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 am