WORKSHOP MINUTES

Bar Harbor Conservation Commission Monday, January 4, 2021

Meeting by Invitation to Zoom Webinar- Starting at 5:30 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm by Chair Handwerk. Members present: Mike Handwerk, Chair; Kaitlyn Mullen, Vice Chair; Kim Zdenek, Vice Chair; and Jacquie Colburn, Secretary.

II. EXCUSED ABSENSES

There were no excused absences.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (accessible through Zoom webinar)

Mr. Will Matteson participated in the meeting to discuss the Open Space Plan - see Item VI. Other than Mr. Matteson, no other members of the public were present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The members reviewed the draft minutes of the December 14, 2020 meeting, one minor correction was needed. A motion was made to accept the December 14th minutes as revised. Motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

V. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chair Handwerk asked for any revisions or additions to the agenda; there were none. A motion was made to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

VI. ONGOING BUSINESS

Open Space Plan Update

Commissioners held a Zoom webinar meeting with Will Matteson. Working with Mr. Matteson, the Commission discussed and reviewed the entire draft and made some additional edits to Chapters 1-6, they also reviewed and discussed Chapter 7 and Appendix A (Goals and Strategies) in more detail. Ms. Colburn offered to make further additions and revisions to the goals and strategies for Chapter 5 and to get them to Chair Handwerk. Mr. Mattson reviewed and displayed the formatting changes he proposed for Appendix A; to make it easier for future audiences to read and use. For Appendices B (Farmers Interviews) & C (Open Space Form-Public Feedback), the Commission agreed that no revisions should be made. Chair Handwerk and Mr. Matteson indicated that on separate occasions, they have both spoken with Town Planning staff for information and assistance regarding the maps and figures contained with the Plan.

VII. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

For the next meeting on January 11th, Mr. Matteson will prepare a final draft of the document which will include all the chapters and the appendices.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jacquie Colburn, Secretary