

**TOWN OF KENNEBUNK
CONSERVATION AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING 10/3/22
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

On October 3, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., the meeting was called to order.

PRESENT: Grace Cain, Mark Kerr, Jennifer Shack

APPROVE MINUTES

The minutes for the September 19 meeting were approved.

SITE PLANS/ DEVELOPMENTS

There were no applications to review.

PESTICIDE OUTREACH

Updates on tasks:

- The members amended the October message and agreed to its release to the town for distribution.
- Kerr reported that it should be no problem to borrow a watershed model
- Lyons reported that the Board of Pesticides inspector has agreed to speak on working with pesticide applicators and best practices for pesticide application
- Cain provided the name of a possible speaker on native plants
- Cain has not received a response yet from Falmouth about the number of licensed applicators registered with the town and their experience implementing their ordinance
- Cain also has not received a response from South Portland about their experience with their pesticide ban
- Shack contacted the chair of the Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Committee to see if they would like to collaborate on messages that intersect the two committees' missions, but has not heard back

Shack reported that the Kennebunkport Commission would like to attend one of our meetings instead of having a separate joint meeting. By consensus, the Conservation Commission members agreed.

New tasks:

- Shack will write the November message about winter waterfowl and coastal marshes
- Kerr will write the December message about salt applications on access roads, driveways and sidewalks
- Cain will reach out to the School Around Us and the New School to see if students may want to create a video about the Leave the Leaves message.

Other ideas:

- graphic of circle of lawn life

- healthy soil message
- early March: wait until the air temperature is above 50 for several days before removing mulch or leaves
- landscaping for ticks message in early spring

OTHER COMMITTEES/PROJECTS

Kerr reported that he attended the Climate Action Plan Task Force workshop. One idea from the workshop was to assess what the biggest sources of greenhouse gases in town are.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

Next meeting will be October 17.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.