

Subject: - Minutes of Beaches & ROW's Committee [June 13, 2019](#)

Hi, Maureen, please check and let me know of changes, additions:

1. Call to Order: [6:35 pm](#)

2. Members present: Sue Wilson, Kathleen Feldman, Janet Garrett, Carl Wool, Mary Withey, Maureen Dagon, Marge Nichols

Absent: Jeff Withey, Kathy Garvie, Barbara Lederer, Nancy Nurge, John Slauenwhite, Lisa Salerno, Jim Delisle

3. Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve Minutes for [May 8](#) meeting by Carl, seconded by Janet, all approved.

4. Old Business:

Article about this year's Committee accomplishments appeared in the ALD annual newsletter. Maureen said people worked hard. We had the first annual Spring Cleanup with about 20 people. 2 Boatracks have just been added - one to Elsmere ROW, one to Spafford ROW. Elsmere is holding up well, no erosion. There are leaves in the water that need cleaning up at Elsmere. Jeff Hatch added gravel and small stones to Spafford ROW for some bit of erosion there, near the road.

Update on erosion projects for Oakland ROW and Ryan Terr ROW:

Oakland looks beautiful. Grass is growing in very well. Project has been completed.

Ryan Terrace: There was a site-walk [last Tuesday](#) with the Inland Wetlands Commission, the engineer, some Board members, some Ryan Terr ROW users. Janet Garrett was there and reported engineer Mark Reynolds did a great job explaining his plan - draining, moving the boulders away, making the boat path. The IWC asked him to make a cross-section of the slope - a cutaway of the elevation. The IWC will make a decision at their [July 8](#) meeting. Janet asked the engineer about the stairs. Mark said it was up to us whether to keep them. He thinks the erosion underneath the stairs is due to the pipes being plugged up. Carl Wool verified that there are pipes under the stair way. The engineer agreed that current set-up is not handicap-accessible.

Committee unanimously approved three motions or recommendations for the next ALD Board meeting.

Maureen will talk to Barbara.

Maureen will ask Frank about having Jeff Hatch clear the stumps and shrubs at the lower left side of Ryan Terr ROW, as they are a tripping hazard and growing up again.

5. New Business:

Other tasks for our committee this month: none currently.

Cove Road ROW - the errant dock is gone. Al Fichtel and Jeff Hatch removed it, cut it up and took it in a trailer to the dump. Cost \$100 to dispose at the dump. The original owner never replied to several letters from the Board, requesting him to move the dock back to property.

6. Feedback from committee members:

Mary says the bench at Cove Road ROW is too close to the water and should be moved back. She also mentioned a drainage pipe at Cove Rd ROW which is sticking out and needs to be replaced.

Janet researched possible racks for paddleboats. She sent a photo to the committee. Maureen felt Jeff Hatch could build something so the paddle boats can be placed on their side edges, so no water accumulates in them, creating mosquito problems.

There are still 2 unclaimed boats at the main beach, but that may be Brandon's area.

Carl said there is a problem with the portapotty at the Main Beach - no toilet paper, and when it was last cleaned, not enough fluid was put inside. Anita may have to talk with the company that contracts for the cleaning of the portapotties.

Maureen said there is a tree near Meadowbrook that is completely dead and needs to be cut down. However, it's not clear on whose property it is. Surveys of the ROW's should be done before trees are cut or more trees are planted.

Sue had 3 questions:

1. Someone asked about a couple trees that fell into the lake in front of their homes. Who is responsible to get rid of these trees? Answer: they should email Frank and cc the rest of the Board, once the tree is in the lake.
2. Phragmites reeds in the NE cove - what is happening with those? Answer: Joyce Clark and the Lake Health Committee are looking into it.
3. Dogs- the question at the annual meeting whether any ROW could be made accessible during the on-season for dogs? Answer: a subcommittee of the Lake Health Committee is looking into it.

Starting July 1, 2019, new fiscal year:

Of those present [at tonight's](#) meetings, all current stewards agreed to continue on as stewards of their respective ROW's or beaches.

Maureen Dagon will no longer chair the committee. She is not sure who will be the chair.

Next meeting: [Thursday July 11, 2019](#)

The group agreed on meeting on second Thursdays of the month.

Respectfully submitted,
Marge Nichols