

The Inverness Association and Inverness Foundation
Meeting Agenda MINUTES: 7PM ZOOM
Sept. 23, 2020

MINUTES:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Hartzell, Robert Johnston, Andrew Buckingham, John Longstreth, Tom Gaman, William Barrett, Seana Quinn, Alex Porrata

MEMBER ABSENT: Catherine Caufield

ATTENDING: Woody Elliot, Jim Fox

Open Time for Public Comment: 5 minutes

Approve: AGENDA

Inverness Association –

1. Any development proposals to discuss –Catherine
 - **No updates at this time**

Inverness Foundation – 45 minutes

1. Fire Prevention: updates – 10 minutes speaker/topic TBD.
2. Ad Hoc Fire Committee: Kathy, Bob, Jerry, Woody – if we have visitors who bring up the topic of fuel breaks, etc. we will discuss/respond according to queries

Discussion: Jim Fox + Woody Elliot provided a very informative fuel break update with time for questions:

- Due to working fires, meetings have been postponed for over a month. There is some misconception about private property work. The environmental permit process is for park property not personal property. However, a limited amount of this will address fire breaks on private property overlapping the park.
- In order to be effective, it's going to be a tremendous coordination effort. It would be really beneficial to the landowner to have the work done at the same time as the state park.
- IPUD will be involved to help homeowners negotiate where the fuel break is going to be.

3. Fuel Break proposal by Bob Johnston –sent out on the 22nd– recommend IF send this letter 5 minutes

Discussion:

- There was concern expressed about sending this first draft of the presented letter given how complicated the fire break seems to be, but there is a strong desire to be in further conversation about it. Kathy will connect with Kathy Donahue from the Inverness Fire Dept board to learn more. Because it's expected to be a long process, it would be beneficial to get the conversation started sooner rather than later.

Also noted that Jairemarie, the Inverness Disaster Coordinator, will be leaving her permission and a replacement is needed.

4. Minutes: June + any additions will be circulated before meeting

Approved: February, May, June, August. Action John moved, Kathy seconds, Unanimous

5. Reports: Trails & Bridges – Tom 5 minutes

- Report: Tom gave an update on work on Dana Marsh beach.

6. Reports: Plant Park “maintenance agreement” – Kathy - 4 minutes

- Report: Luc Chamberlain, owner of Saltwater said he will be doing maintenance at Plant Park due to more customers using the park.
- Kathy discovered that the lock on the back door at Gables doesn't work so there will be a replacement. Otherwise things are looking good.

7. Reports: Documents scanning – Kathy – propose hiring student to scan important documents for permanent retention in cloud – Old Bagpipers to Bylaws, etc. Minutes? Where to start/end? – 4 minutes to be continued after pondering the idea/need

- TBD

8. Reports: JMM – Andrew 5 minutes

- Brief update, not much to report at this time.

9. Report on Coastal Communities meetings – Bill 5 minutes

- Update: Much of the beginning portion of the meeting was a review of the defined function of the CCWG (Coastal Communities Working Group). Then the discussion was on Tomales Bay's shorelines, east and west, and the beach front of Stinson Beach and Seadrift. Different kinds of water/wave actions that, when coupled with anticipated sea level rise, could result in significant shoreline damage and erosion. The variety of potential shoreline enhancements that could help to minimize the sea level rise and wave action damages were explained with examples shown on screen. Identified current and historic uses, along with potential for increased or decreased uses which might help determine the most appropriate mitigation measures to install along the shoreline.

10. Report on TBWC annual meeting – Woody & Tom – 10 minutes

- Update provided on Tomales Bay Water Shed meeting. Woody is the representative

11. Budget Report: John – brief overview of expenses/income

- No report

12. Membership status: Catherine - this year/last year – latest major contributions 4 minutes

- Catherine is absent, no report until next time

Next Meeting: October 28, 7 pm, Zoom

Adjourn

Prepared and Revised by Kathy Hartzell 9/23/20

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