

DRAFT MINUTES
MARGINAL WAY COMMITTEE
6PM- June 4, 2012
DUNAWAY CENTER

JUNE 12

A ROLL CALL

Members Present: H. Horn, L. Gillespie, D. Barton, P. Breen, J. Griswold, L. Rioux , J. Oliver and P. Hanscom.

Consultants Present- Prof. A. Hussey
A quorum was present.

B. MINUTES

The revised minutes of the April 9th meeting were approved.

Approval of the minutes of the May 7th meeting was deferred until the next meeting in order to add requested changes to correct omissions and add clarifications.

C.TREASURERS REPORT

The approval of the Treasurer's report for the month ending 5/31/12 was deferred until the next meeting.

D. CHAIRS REPORT

1.0 Paving of the Path

The paving of the Marginal Way has been completed.

The original price for the total repaving was \$25,000.

Agreement was made that an additional \$2,000 should be added to cover the cost of a new aggregate. The Marginal Way Committee and the Marginal Way Preservation Fund will share the additional cost.

2.0 Volunteers

The Chair reported that the Weed Warriors continue to meet on the Marginal Way each Monday to work on removing weeds. The Chair asked for volunteers who should bring their gardening tools, a water bottle and enthusiasm.

An announcement to solicit volunteers for this activity has been placed on Channel #3.

3.0. Invasive Plants

The Chair reported on the growing problem with Black Swallow Wart and its negative effects on the flora of the Marginal Way. This plant has made major inroads into the flora in the Marginal Way and its deep roots defy simple removal.

One area that suffers from problems with this plant and knotweed is at the pumping station on Briar Bank. The roots of the Black Swallow Wart threaten to damage the foundations of the pumping station and adjacent private buildings. To correct this problem may require the initiation of major eradication program

The Chair reported that Patten will remove the weeds on the “orange ledge bulkhead “ near the Little Beach

4.0 Bird Sign.

A full-scale color print of the revised copy of the scanned Bird Sign was presented to the Committee and note was made of the changes which had been incorporated based on the prior Committee input. The major change was to change the color of the beach to one more consistent with sand. After review, the Committee agreed that the revised Bird Sign should be sent to the vendor, Fossil, for fabrication.

F: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on August 6 in the Dunaway Center @ 6PM.

The meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Submitted respectfully,

Paul Breen

Secretary