

OGUNQUIT BEACH EROSION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 17, 2014, 6 PM

In attendance:

Bob Winn
John Cavaretta
Margie Katz
Paul Jean
Paul Breen
Martin Crosby
Jim Manning
Doug Mayer
Milt Vargelis
Jason Jutras

Meeting started with a roll call and motion to accept minutes from Feb. 3 meeting. Minutes were accepted. Paul B. brought up the mission statement proposed by Margie. There was a motion and vote to accept the mission statement which reads:

“Understand the Causes of Erosion at Ogunquit Beach, and Develop a Comprehensive Plan to Restore the Beach and Reduce Future Erosion”.

Paul B. then distributed a flyer on the Hampton Beach Coastal Erosion Workshop on April 10 which he had previously e-mailed to everyone. Paul said the Town has agreed to pay the \$35 registration fee for anyone on the committee who would like to attend. Please let Paul know ASAP if you plan to attend.

A meeting has been set up with Stephen Dickson, the Maine State Geologist, at noon on March 12 in Augusta. All on the committee are welcome to attend. If you cannot attend and have questions, please give them to Paul beforehand.

Jason Jutras' paper entitled “Ogunquit Beach 2014” was distributed and discussed. The paper included information on the present state of the beach, ideas regarding sand movement with respect to the new and old bridges, and storms' effects on the sand. Several old aerial photos of the beach were attached to the report.

Margie had e-mailed a link to the University of Maine Seagrass web site, which contained a number of reports related to beach erosion. Paul B. mentioned one report from 2006: Protecting Maine's Beaches for the Future: A Proposal to Create an Integrated Beach Management Program. The question was raised whether the State was going to act on it. The exact URL is: www.seagrass.umaine.edu/files/chg/report06_protect-1.pdf

Margie said that she had called both the Maine Seagrass office to see if they do specific studies and Applied Coastal Research and Engineering. She was waiting for call-backs from both.

March 3 meeting can be substituted with trip to Augusta. The next meeting will be held Monday, March 17 at 6 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margie Katz
Secretary
Feb. 21, 2014