

OGUNQUIT BEACH EROSION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 3, 2014, 6 PM

In attendance:

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

Mission statement was discussed. Margie suggested that the statement should be brief...one or two sentences, while Paul's Draft Mission Statement was ideal as methodology.

Jason asked whether the committee name "Beach Erosion..." was correct and suggested that one goal of the committee was to assess whether there had been erosion. After a brief discussion including the fact that the Select Board chose the name, it was agreed to leave the committee name as is. Jason also mentioned the direction of storms impacting the amount of sand being either deposited on the beach or removed.

Paul B. suggested reviewing the Maine State Report on Erosion at Ogunquit Beach, but only one copy was available and so discussion was delayed until next meeting.

Paul B. laid out some timeline goals, including getting some budgetary numbers to the Select Board by early March. It was agreed that an engineering study would be required to fully evaluate what has been occurring regarding erosion and recommendations.

Paul B. said he was going to call Steve Dickson, the state geologist, and ask if he could attend our next meeting. Jason volunteered to call and meet with Steve beforehand.

The beach profiling project was brought up by John. A couple people who can do it monthly have to be trained. Doug is familiar with the project.

Milt brought up the design of the new bridge as the cause of large amounts of sand being deposited in the tidal river in back of the dunes. The timelines seem to coincide. There was further discussion on this as well as the work that was done to the dunes in the mid-70's.

Paul B. asked Margie to create a brief mission statement and send some links to reports on one of the state's web site

The next meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 17 at 6 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margie Katz
Secretary
2/6/2014