

DRAFT MINUTES  
MARGINAL WAY COMMITTEE  
MONDAY, November 14, 2016  
DUNAWAY CENTER-4PM

**A. ROLL CALL**

Members Present-, P. Breen, J. Griswold and K. Arnold  
Members Absent - P. Hansom, L. Gillespie, and J. Oliver  
A quorum was noted.

Helen Horn, the retired Chair was present.

**B. MINUTES**

The review of the minutes of the Committee's meeting on October 3, 2016 was deferred until the next meeting.

**C.TREASURER'S REPORT**

The balance in the Marginal Way's Beautification Fund as of October 31,2016 was \$82,575.

**D. CO-CHAIR'S REPORT**

**1) Tree Fall on Locust Grove Access Path**

A large diameter tree located on the Locust Grove access path fell blocking that path. The DPW is in the process of cutting up the tree and transporting it for disposal.

**2) Invasive Control Program Activities**

Significant volumes of bittersweet were removed from the Marginal Way between the Bridge and the Cedar Grove. Native trees were uncovered along with native plants whose growth had been suppressed by the alien plants,

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**1) Mother's Beach Stairway Repair**

A contractor removed the metal stair covers, which had been loosened by storm action, and a concrete patch applied to prevent crackling of those stairs.

**2) Trail Grant Project- P. Breen**

The activities on the Trail Grant project have focused on obtaining a DEP permit for this project. Civil Consultants, who had been engaged by the Marginal Way Preservation Fund, determined the location of the 25' high tide line as the DEP rules exclude placing revetments inside the 25' high tide line.

Early analysis shows that a portion of the proposed revetment penetrates the 25' line. As a result, the DEP may impose a set of conditions, which limits the extent of the proposed revetment.

The Permit by Rule Form application requesting DEP approval of this project is in the

process of being submitted to the DEP.

### **3) Use of Social Media**

Discussion addressed the use of the Committee's Face book page for the Marginal Way Committee. Members agreed to forward relevant announcements and articles for publication on the Committee's Face book page as well as in local newspapers.

### **4) Proposed Erosion Control Program**

An audit of the state of erosion on the Marginal Way was developed by P. Breen in order to obtain a cost estimate for establishing an annual erosion control program for the Marginal Way. This audit was distributed to the members. The audit shows that the Marginal Way suffers from erosion damage, and that some of these sections have developed repair issues as a result

A quote of \$11,200 has been obtained from a contractor to affect an annual erosion control program for the Marginal Way commencing at the start of FY17. This estimate will be used in preparing a proposal for the forthcoming Town budget sessions, which will commence in December.

The DPW has not responded over the past three years to requests from the Marginal Way Committee to conduct this program. The lack of this program over the years has caused portions of the Marginal Way to become eroded resulting in safety issues and exacerbation of damage to the path and the surroundings.

## **F. OLD BUSINESS**

### **1) Proposed Beachmere Embankment Project**

Once the Trail Grant Project repairs are completed, a proposal will be requested from an engineering consultant to determine the cost of conducting engineering analysis required to define the stabilization of the embankment adjacent to the at the Beach mere, widening the path to 5', correcting the drainage and documenting this analysis in a report.

## **G. OTHER**

None

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting adjourned @ 4:45PM.

The next meeting of the Marginal way Committee will be held on December 5,2016 @ 4PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Breen  
Secretary

