

**MINUTES
MARGINAL WAY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020
DUNAWAY CENTER
4:00 PM**

A. ROLL CALL

Members Present - Louesa Gillespie, Paul Breen, Joan Griswold, M. Serums and Elaine Cooper.

Members Excused - Kirsten Arnold and Gail Brother.

A quorum was noted.

Jeanne Roche attended this meeting.

B. MINUTES

The minutes of the Marginal Way Committee meeting held on December 5, 2019 were approved.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was not available.

D. CHAIR'S REPORT

1. Invasive Removal Efforts

Work will be scheduled this winter to remove invasive plants on the Marginal Way.

2. Use of Goats to Clear Invasive Plants

The Committee completed arrangements to use goats tethered in areas of the Marginal Way abundant in invasive plants. The goats will feed on the invasive plants in that area.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. FEMA Reimbursement

Over the past few quarters, the Town has submitted documentation associated with FEMA reimbursement for Marginal Way storm repairs.

Reimbursement of these repair costs is expected in the next few quarters.

2. DEP Approval of Repair Permits

The DEP has approved permits for 12 repair projects on the Marginal Way.

A construction schedule will be developed for these approved projects with the goal of beginning work in the fall.

Walsh Engineering will present the details of these projects to the Planning Board this month as part of the approval process.

3. RFP for Eroded Embankment on the Marginal Way

Walsh Engineering will prepare an RFP detailing the requirements for the corrective action associated with the eroded embankment on the Marginal Way adjacent to the Beachmere Inn.

4. Resolution of the Drainage issue at the ocean end of Stearns Avenue

This project includes the installation of large drainage pipes, which will route water flow originating from the Stearns Avenue area and from the ocean during periods of high water under Stearns Avenue to an ocean outfall, installation of swales on that street and along the Way and the construction of a new revetment north of the Lighthouse.

The DPW will be the lead for this project.

The Marginal Way Committee will review the construction of the new revetment.

5. People Counter

This month's update for the People Counter was not available. An effort is underway to collect the people count information from the past few months.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. FY20 Budget

The proposed budget for the next fiscal year budget for the Marginal Way Committee (Attached) was discussed in Committee and will be submitted to the Budget Committee for their review.

2. Select Board

The Select Board will be briefed on 1/21/2020 on the proposed activities of the Committee for the forthcoming fiscal year and the Committee's accomplishments during this past year.

3. Invited Presentation on the Plant, Tree and Insect Cycle

Efforts are underway to engage a speaker for a public presentation this season on the relationship between native plants and the wildlife that depends on them.

Doug Tallamy addressed this topic a few years ago.

G. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting adjourned @ 5:00 PM.

The next meeting of the Marginal Way Committee will be held on Monday, February 3, 2020 @ 4PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Breen
Secretary