

AAC Meeting Notes 4/10/19

Animal Advisory Committee Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

City Hall Conference Room-1st Floor

Members Present: Alicia Pensarosa, Beth Klinefelter, Dianne Corliss, Jodi Swenson, Jennifer Schmorrow

City Council Liaison Present: Jennifer Holmgren

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Meeting called to order 6:32pm

Quick discussion about enforcement and signage on Good Harbor Beach (GHB) for the new ordinances

Jennifer Holmgren informed the committee that she will be stepping down as the AAC City Council Liaison due to time constraints and her involvement in other City matters
The AAC will be acting without a City Council Liaison due to our established nature

Discussion about enforcement on GHB

Discussion about plovers on Wingersheek and discussion about the Mass Wildlife representative coming to the City Council meeting to talk about plover protection and plover reports on Wingersheek

Discussion about volunteers on GHB and our partnership with the new Conservation Agent, Adrienne Lennon.

Discussion about volunteer training and communication

Alicia Pensarosa will be in charge of volunteer communication

Discussion about setting up a meeting with Adrienne Lennon to discuss plan

Plan to attend Adrienne's volunteer training on April 18th

Discussion about volunteer sign up through the City IT department-still waiting on more information about when that will be posted

Discussion about our level of involvement in implementing and monitoring the P3 plan

Meeting minutes approved from 2-25-19

Discussion about next agenda item: Raptor Event

Discussion about reaching out to local businesses for wood donations to build raptor boxes

Decided to schedule the event in the fall

Reach out to the summer YMCA program, Boy Scouts, GHS Honor Society, etc

Look into raptor box kits or creating our own

Discussion about inviting Gary Menin back and scheduling an information session in the fall but also doing education at Gloucester events

Reach out to Gary for advice on scheduling

Discussion about animals getting trapped at Dyke's Pond

Schedule a site visit to take pictures to be able to make a recommendation to the City to resolve the issue-reach out to Erin Hutchins to invite her

Discussion about seal education-more posts on our Facebook page

Reach out to the City IT to post links on our website answering questions ex:

"What to do if you see a seal?"

Discussion about cormorants in Gloucester testing positive for Newcastle disease

Next meeting May 23, 2019 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm