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Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2018

In attendance: Parker Lord, Paul Armond, Ross Byrne, Bob Cope, Barbara David, Wendolyn Hill, Anthony Irving, George Lombardino and Lucius Stark

The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm. Business items included:

1. Johnston Property (North Woods): The Town, pending the receipt of a check from CT DEEP, is prepared to close on this property. The State has received all information needed for the acquisition.
2. Selden Landing: Parker recounted a conversation with Sue Jacobson of DEEP in which he described the fiberglass grating ramp under consideration for Selden Landing. Sue and her staff will now study the proposal. OSC then considered various difficulties posed by a ramp. High tide could submerge many of the grates, according to Parker, hiding the structure and covering it with debris. Paul in reply stated that posts fastening the ramp to the marsh will rise above the waterline, delineating a path through the wild rice. Similarly, Paul recommended minimizing the gap between planks to inhibit plant growth over the walkway. Ross advised the ramp must be removed each winter to prevent ice damage. OSC endorsed Anthony's suggestion to solicit an opinion on the grating ramp's suitability from the manufacturer. If they respond favorably, Paul will conduct a one-year field test using a section of grating.
3. Cove Road Landing: The landing adjacent to the yacht club, although available for public access to Hamburg Cove, is almost impassible due to erosion and the presence of loose rocks. Anthony advocated installing stone steps to the water, similar to the arrangement near Joshuatown Bridge.
4. A motion was made by Barbara, seconded by Anthony and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.