

Environment and Wildlife Committee Regular Meeting

April 11, 2024

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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & FOIA STATEMENT

Present: Gordon Weis (Councilman, chair), Mark Andrews, Fred Demler, James Geiger, Dean Morr
Absent: None.
Staff Present: Joe Cronin (Town Administrator), Tyler Newman (Zoning Administrator), Katharine Watkins (Asst. Town Administrator)
Guests Present: Dr. Nicole Elko (Elko Consulting), Susan Leggett (Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy)

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Environment and Wildlife Committee Meeting: February 22, 2024

Mr. Morr moved to approve the previous meeting minutes of February 22nd; Mr. Demler seconded. All voted in favor.

The previous meeting minutes of February 22nd were approved.

B. Environment and Wildlife Committee Meeting: March 14, 2024

Mr. Morr moved to approve the previous meeting minutes of March 14th; Mr. Demler seconded. All voted in favor.

The previous meeting minutes of March 14th were approved.

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. Marsh Management Plan: Dr. Nicole Elko, Elko Consulting

Dr. Nicole Elko presented a proposed Marshfront Management Plan for Seabrook Island.

Discussions were had with committee members.

Mr. Morr moved to recommend the town council to approve moving forward with a Marshfront Management Plan; Mr. Demler seconded. All voted in favor.

The recommendation was approved.

4. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. Review of Environment & Wildlife Conservation Grants received.
- a. Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy, requested amount: \$2,500.00

Ms. Leggett summarized the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy Environment & Wildlife grant request.

Discussions were had with committee members.

Mr. Morr moved to approve the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy grant request for \$2,500.00; Mr. Demler seconded. All voted in favor.

The grant request was recommended for approval.

5. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Discussions were had with committee members on the next steps with the Marshfront Management Plan, and Environment & Wildlife Grant process.

Mr. Demler commented on a proposed Seabrook Island Property Owners Association (SIPOA) policy on coyotes.

Discussions were had with committee members on these types of policies for nuisance and/or animals.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morr moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Demler seconded. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Date: March 14th, 2024

Prepared by: *Katharine E. Watkins*
Assistant Town Administrator

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