**Georgetown Conservation Commission**

**Special Zoom Meeting of August 15, 2022**

**Minutes**

1. **Meeting called to order: 6:36pm**
2. **Quorum was determined.** Present: Kathy Gravino\*(chair), Nancy Kinner\*, Jessica Weller\*, Aria Eee\*\*. Bronwyn Tudor (Select Board Representative);

(\* Member, \*\* Associate Member)

1. **Discuss Documents to Send to Select Board**

We will send these documents forward to the Select Board:

 -CRP Self-Evaluation Form

 -List of Community Actions that we have completed or are working on as a town

 -Feedback from the Town Leaders

 -Project List

 -Results from the Survey

Kathy wants to make sure we join the partnership in September even if we can’t get the grant ready by the 20th. Bronwen agreed with that.

1. **Project Overview**

The group went over each of the projects and the results from the community in the prioritization survey.

Discussion Included:

* Project 1 had the most votes and we are going to need a specific plan for the Select Board if we pass this project along. Kathy asked if
* Perhaps there is a potential project for the UNH Students in regards to Project 1
* Todd’s landing has been surveyed and there may be additional money for this project as it relates to roads and bridges.
* Project 1 could be more specific if we looked at sea level rise/storm run-off on our Town Owned Properties: Todd’s Landing and Five Islands Wharf
* First Church and the Fire Station could be included into an energy efficiency proposal if possible.
* A generator for the Town Office/School was proposed as a project proposal but there was discussion about doing an energy audit first and then create a plan for weatherization, solar, ventilation and heat pumps before purchasing a generator.
* A suggestion of an energy audit of the 3 municipal buildings (Fire Department, School/Town Office and First Church). What will it cost to heat/cool/ventilate them?
* There was discussion about working to make the Town Office/School an effective Emergency Shelter and making that a priority.
* The School is already listed as one of Georgetown's Emergency Shelters in the Town's approved Emergency Operations Plan but lacks adequate generator/back up power sources to operate as a shelter in an emergency.

The group decided to put forth the following two projects:

Project 1 (G1)—Conduct a vulnerability assessment to evaluate the impact of sea level rise, storm surge and storm water run-off on two town owned properties: Todd’s Landing and Five Islands Wharf. This study would investigate potential solutions and propose a scheduled plan and associated costs for how to address these solutions. These two town owned properties are very important to our maritime economy, community recreation and tourism economy.

Project 2 (B1, C1)—Conduct an evaluation of the energy efficiency in our Town Office/School municipal building. This evaluation would develop a plan for solar, weatherization, ventilation, heat pumps, and in the short term secure an automatic generator to help make this building both energy efficient and a high functioning shelter in case of an emergency.

The group voted that we would put these two projects forward to the Select Board on August 23rd. Motion was put forth and seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Kathy and Jessica will work with our consultants on the wording for the presentation and will present to the Select Board on August 23rd.

1. **Oyster Event Update (August 19th 3pm)**

Please bring Chairs. Pat Burns and Chad Campbell will be the speakers. Amanda will do the shucking demo.

1. **Meeting Adjourned at 8:19 PM**