

Minutes of Environmental Commission Meeting – November 21, 2022

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89653798743?pwd=YkNjeWRLV3NqV1ZLSmpVeDEwbGtldz09>

Members Present: Andy Anderson, Orr Kadec, Mary Beth Postman, Alisa Saporito, Heather Wasser (Council Liaison)

Guest: Ofer Aviv

Approval of minutes of 9/19/22 – Motion to approve minutes of September 19, 2022 with changes – old business priority for commission (not council); commission in lieu of Committee (confirm via email on 10/6) – delete
Report Heather Wasser says [to said] – Mass Avenue Affordable Housing project has
Motion to approve (Postman, Kadec seconded)
Motion carries

Approval of minutes of 10/17/22 Motion to approve minutes of October 17, 2022 (Saporito, Kadec seconded)
Motion carries

Old business

- Index of open areas - Index of open spaces – Please let Andy know who can help on this project to do proofreading and/or editing, ground truthing some of the areas described. Photos will help. Orr will reach out and help Andy.
- Native plants – we could do education or outreach. Alisa will work on putting together a smaller list of native plants for DPW

New business

- Joint committee on tree protection – Mary Beth volunteers to be on committee. Motion to be part of joint commission on tree protection (Postman, Kadec seconded)
Motion carries

Meeting open to Public – Welcome Ofer Aviv!

Report on Council Activities – Heather reported out on activities - Councilwoman O'Donnell did clean up on November 19th and it was very cold; turnout by school was low due to DC trip. Cleanup was successful Report on Massachusetts Avenue Affordable Housing Project - DEP cleared the area and two acres are not wetland or wetland transition area.

Report on Planning Board Activities – No report

Motion to adjourn at 7:32 pm (Postman, Saporito seconded)
Motion carries

Submitted by Mary Beth Postman