

Cliff Walk Committee

April 2, 2018; 5:30 –6:30 PM

Kennebunk Room York Public Library

Approved MINUTES

Members Present – Bob Gordon, Ted Little, Bob Luttman, Robert Palmer and Tom Rose

Members Absent – Diane Kleist, Elizabeth Bardwell

Town Staff – Dylan Smith, Director Planning

Public – Mariah Mitchel (Eaton Peabody Associate) and Bette Rose (Chairman FOCW)

Cliff Walk Property Owners – None

1) Announcements – Chairman Bob Gordon announced that he had received a note from the York Bicycle Committee explaining that they were preparing a brochure about the Paths in York and they asked the Cliff Walk Committee *if they would like to include information about the Cliff Walk in this brochure. Bob said that he thought the inclusion of CW information would be premature given the damage incurred during this winter's storms. The committee agreed with this decision.*

2) Minutes of the March 5, 2017 CW Committee: The March meeting minutes were moved for approval by Tom Rose and seconded by Ted Little. The Minutes were approved by a vote 5 to 0.

3) Discussion with Friends of the Cliff Walk (FOCW) on Their May Event- Bette Rose explained that the FOCW was planning an event on May 5th co-sponsored with the York Public Library. This Event will include a Film screening of William Baker's presentation of his experiences on the Cliff Walk when he was a young boy staying at his grand-parents home on the Cliff Walk. The Film will be followed by a Panel Discussion including members of the Cliff Walk Committee and the FOCW.

Selectman Robert Palmer mentioned that that date would be in conflict with a planned celebration of the seasonal opening of Hartley Mason Park which is adjacent to the Cliff Walk entrance. Bette agreed that the two events should be separated and she offered to work with YPL to move the FOCW event to the following week. **(In fact, FOCW and the Library have already rescheduled their event to May 12th).**

4) Discussion of Efforts to Repair Cliff Walk Damage from the Recent Winter Storms – The Committee reviewed a number of photographs of the storm damage and discussed the efforts to make the necessary repairs and the prospects for funding to accomplish this task. The York department of Public Works has prepared estimates to repair damage from the March storms and the plan will be submitted to FEMA to support an emergency declaration for work to be done. Bette Rose reported that the current estimate for Cliff Walk repairs is \$25,000. The York Weekly has reported that costal Maine has estimated \$3 Million in total damages with \$691,000 for York and reported that FEMA has already visited the damage sites.

5) Plans for Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for May 14th and will be combined with an Inspection Walk starting at Harbor Beach at 9:00 AM. Committee members will be joined by Parks and Recreation Staff, CW Owners and the Public. The next meeting will be held at Wheeler Room, YPL on June 4th starting at 5:30 PM.

6) Adjourn: Moved by Ted Little and seconded by Bob Luttman