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Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2022

Members present: Larissa Thomas, chair; Diane Nicholls, Kerry Diskin, Jack Robichaud, Linda Penkalski

Alternate member present: Mike Jordan

Alternate member absent: Diana Cassel

Meeting was convened at the Lamoine Town Hall by Chairperson Thomas at 7:03 PM.

Topics Discussed:

1. **Approval of the [February 15, 2022 minutes](#).**
2. **Missing signs at Marlboro Beach:** Three signs at Marlboro Beach for the revegetation project have been taken or lost; two others slipped down the posts. Larissa fixed the ones that slipped. She asked if the group thought we should replace the 3 missing ones at the far end of the beach. Everyone agreed that we should hold off and see how things go.
3. **Community Resilience Partnership Community Action Grant:** There were 15 Lamoine Citizens present at the public meeting on February 15, 2022. It was a very engaging discussion. Larissa submitted the enrollment materials and is waiting to hear if we have been approved to proceed with a grant application. The grant will ask for funds for heat pumps for the town hall, fire station, school and transfer station with solar panels on the salt/sand shed. This will reduce our energy expenditure and lower the town's carbon dioxide footprint.
4. **[Recyclables](#):** March is the month that the Lamoine Conservation Commission will receive the income from the recyclables at the transfer station.
5. **Conservation Award:** Everything is set for the presentation of the Conservation Award to Jeff Cosulich at the beginning of the Lamoine Town Meeting on March 16, 2022. We should get there at 5:45 PM.
6. **Browntail Moth Webinar:** Diane Nicholls participated in the webinar presented by the Maine Municipal Association on Tackling Environmental Challenges in Your Community. Diane sent us a synopsis and reported out the highlights. They would like to use pheromones to prevent the moths from mating. Winter is the time to remove the nests form trees. Turn off your

outside lights in August as the moths fly to the lights and this will prevent them from congregating. Diane also reported out on the emerald ash borer and vernal pools as part of the webinar.

7. **Lamoine's Comprehensive Plan and the LCC involvement:** Kerry and Diane looked at what we are responsible for and what we feel comfortable with taking responsibility for. Mike reported that the Comprehensive Plan is a guideline on what to work on for the next 10 years. It gives goals to work toward. We are to look at the document Kerry, Diane and Larissa prepared about our responsibilities, so we can talk about them at the April, 2022 meeting.

8. **GET WET!:** Linda emailed Tiara Woods, Lamoine Consolidated School 5th and 6th grade science teacher, and GET WET! 2022 will take place in the morning of Thursday, May 5th with a rain date of Thursday, May 12th. No decision has been made yet whether GET WET! will be inside or outside. Linda will do the introductory power point presentation on Wednesday, May 4th. Depending on the course of the pandemic it will either be done virtually or in person at the school. That decision will be made at the end of April. Linda will email the volunteers to alert them to the dates and times.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Minutes taken by Linda Penkalski and approved on

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