

Minutes of Environmental Committee  
September 17, 2015 2:30 PM

Those present: Merritt Burke, Linda Poole, Colleen Wilson, Patti Breger, Dave Van Kavelaar, Buzz and Betsy Henifin and Mayor Gene Langan

Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was chaired by Buzz Henifin in the absence of Mary Ellen Langan, who was ill.

**Review of Summer Events**

The last butt count will be done in October by Dave Van Kavelaar. The items we gave out at the three beach movies and the bonfire were very well received.

**Clean Up Day, Sept. 19** Patti Breger reported on the efforts she had made to enlist local junior high students to clean up Fenwick streets. Since there were time constraints connected with planning this fully, the idea was given up.

**Adopt a Street.** The relative merits of this idea were discussed briefly. It was suggested that a reminder to property owners to clean up their yards could be included in the Winter Town Newsletter. Merritt said that Dec. 15 is the deadline for the newsletter, The EC should also include an article on their activities in the newsletter. Earth Day will be on April 22 and activities connected with that day should be included in the Winter Newsletter.

**More signs for Guard Stands.** Merritt has secured a grant to complete the signs on the guard stands. These signs might contain a reminder not to litter the beach.

**Pine Bark Beetle Damage to Local Black Pine Trees.** Mayor Langan stated that local Landscaper Tracey Redding has reported that the pine bark beetle is damaging trees here in town. Unfortunately, the only way to destroy these pests is the take down the tree they are infesting. Merritt expects that there will be a speaker on this subject at Council Meeting. He suggests that this item should be included on the EC agenda for the next meeting.

The next EC meeting will be on October 15, 2015. This meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betsy Henifin  
Secretary

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