



# Friends of Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge

## MINUTES

**November 1, 2022 Online Zoom Meeting**

### AGENDA:

- 5:00 Introductions
- 5:05 Approve October Minutes
- 5:10 Budget/Treasurer's Report
- 5:15 Membership Committee Report
- 5:20 Updates
- 5:45 Other business
- 6:00 Adjourn

### Meeting Minutes

**Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm**

**Board Members Attending:** Pres. Glenn Davis, Clerk, Nancy Church, Treasurer, MaryKay Fox, Historian F. Tom Fudala, Membership - Neil Barkin and Joan Barkin

**Others in attendance:** Tom Eagle (USF&W)

Leo Lainez (AmeriCorps), Tania Lewandowski, (NMF)

### FMNWR Meeting Minutes Approvals

Minutes for October were approved unanimously.

### Treasurer's report For October 2022 Financials (MK)

All of our account balances have gone up!

1. Fidelity/ Endowment Account increased this month by \$870 ending @ \$ 19,723.43 (-16.75% ROR)
2. Cape Cod 5 Main checking: Starting balance \$ 9,063.48, ending balance of \$ 9,474,.81

### ➤ checking account activity ➤

#### Income: total \$717.60

1. Deposit, interest = \$ 0.08
2. Sales at Estuarine/Osprey event = \$ 120.00 (4 shirts)
3. Credit for Oktoberfest = \$ 25.00
4. Donations
  - Mailed Donations = \$ 500.00
  - PayPal = \$ 72.52

#### Expenditures: \$306.19

1. Zoom = \$ 14.99
2. Johnny's Seed = \$ 91.20
3. Susie Perry Design = \$ 200.00 (pollinator brochure design)

The Friends requested a deferment of 6 month on our tax return, so this week, MK will file the returns via 990 online free service to the IRS. She will also be attending a zoom training with the state about their new on-line

filing for the state PC forms. Sunderland printing has been paid but the check wasn't cashed yet so budget item will hopefully show up in the November financials.

**Membership Committee** (Joan and Neil Barkin)

We received a generous donation of \$500 from a resident of New Seabury who attended the Walk for the Wild, where she received information and brochures and was impressed with the group; our board members enthusiasm impressed her.

**Updates:**

**Osprey Cam-** Comcast scheduled work day was rained out- rescheduled for Nov 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Walk for the Wild-** Disappointed in number of walkers but the event was great for exposure. Monetarily it was a net gain. \$300 from local sponsors, \$520 in other donations. Expenses about \$400

**Refuge Visitor Center** – Meeting held October 19<sup>th</sup> @10 AM at Martin Road house.

Good participation and input from attendees looking at 3 potential sites for a future Visitor Center/Contact Station. Tom Eagle needs to set up a Partner's meeting that will involve the decision makers in the near future. (December)

**Red Brook Water Tap** – Nothing new at the moment. We are waiting for Drew to report on the status of this. Tom E. said that Fish and Wildlife could help with some expenses.

Tom F. Was at the Mashpee water board meeting and there was nothing new mentioned there about this.

**Brochure Holders-** The brochures/maps were removed during covid. If reinstalling these we need holders with space for the Refuge brochures, Rabbitat, Pollinators and maps.

May need to reorient the kiosk at Jehu – could ask DPW

Tom E. – Will ask Joy to look into how F & W is handling this. They also removed holders during covid and may have some laying around.

Mashpee Garden Club received pollinator brochure from Glenn. Asked to have Glenn and MaryKay speak at one of their upcoming meetings.

**Newsletter** – Will share ideas with Leo for articles to write/include. Events such as Osprey/Estuaries Day, Walk for Wild.

Neil and Joan suggested an article on eel grass. They shared an article about a restoration project from Morrow Bay life. This is an important issue here on the Cape too, especially Waquoit Bay area.

6:00PM – Unanimous vote to adjourn.