

Islesboro Sea Level Rise Committee Meeting

3/13/25 @ 4:30 Town Office & Via Zoom.

1. Called to Order. Established Quorum.
 - a. Nancy Alexander, Peter Willcox, Peter Rothschild, Jennifer West, Lauren Bruce, Donna Leone, Chloe Joule, Fred Porter, Shri Verrill, Sue Stafford, David Labbe
2. Approved draft minutes from [2/13/25 meeting](#). Peter R. moved, Peter W. seconded
Unanimous approval.
3. Narrows Project Discussion
 - a. Update on design status. Tall & thin option. Need to figure out if it more cost effective to do compensatory mitigation on site or pay into a pot with the state. There is a chance that we could do some sand dune restoration on site.
 - b. Middle narrows. Army Corps thought perhaps we should look at seawall. Will look at that within the 60% design phase and/or what the tall/thin option would look like to correct scale at middle.
 - c. Maine Geological Survey was the agency that recommended that we look at 4 feet instead of 2 feet. To consider in next engineering phases - How much more fill with that put in the wetlands, and then how much more restoration would we have to do somewhere else.
 - d. 60% Engineering Scope of Work. After our meeting tonight, Shri will send the memo to Cheryl to get the scope finalized.
 - e. Is there talk of a culvert on the south side. No the discussion has been about drainage not culvert. Will be considered in the 60% design.
 - f. Donna – need to revise the memo to make it clear that the revetments are on private property. Shri will look at deed to clarify if they are 100% on private property or partially on private property. May need to have surveyed. Also clarified that there will information about water diversion impact of revetments on private property abutting the revetments. Hydraulic modeling of existing flood zones and flooding impacts of alternatives, to include in 60% design to factor in impact of alternatives on private landowners.
 - g. Peter W. will scan and send deed and Army Corps Engineer drawings and send to Shri.
 - h. Topographic survey is scheduled for April if we stay on track. Will be included in the 60% design.
 - i. What do we do if federal funding is not available?
4. FY26 Budget Discussion.
 - a. Lauren suggested we increased to \$30k. Peter R motioned this recommendation. Nancy A. seconded. Unanimous approval.
5. Other Business.
 - a. Peter W. motioned to approve Shri to send the 60% scope of work memo to GZA with the additions that were discussed. Chloe seconded. Unanimous approval. Shri to send memo with her revisions.
6. Set Next Meeting Date. 4/10/25. 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm. Adjourned.