

Islesboro Sea Level Rise Committee Meeting Minutes

4:30 pm 11/13/2025 @ Town Office & Via Zoom

1. Call to Order. Establish Quorum:
 - a. In person: Peter Willcox, Shey Conover, Janet Anderson, Chloe Joule, Nancy Alexander
 - b. Via Zoom: Peter Rothschild, Donna Leone, Sue Stafford, Fred Porter, Ginnie Hess
 - c. Public (in person): Mike Clayton, Via zoom: Pete Anderson, Holly Fields, Marilyn, Bob Kochan, Cheryl Coviello (GZA), Aimee Mountain (GZA), Shri Verrill (Sunrise Ecologic)
2. Approved draft minutes from [9/29/25](#) Meeting. Peter W motioned to approved. Chloe J seconded. No discussion, Unanimous approval.
3. Narrows Project Update
 - a. 60% Design Review & Next Steps:
 - i. Objective of this discussion was to address points needed for GZA to finalize the 60% design, and identify items needed to inform change order for GZA scope of work to get to 100% design.
 - ii. GZA walks us through the changes including adding a guard rail on the north & options for parking by Dunn Lane, and parking options for private property access.
 - iii. Donna expresses concerns about pathway option, preferring stairs with retaining wall.
 - iv. Peter R. asked if we could consider moving the center line maybe between 7.5 – 8.5 marked on the map to further minimize impact to private property. Discussion showed support for this to be considered in the final 60% design. Chloe asked about the impact of steeper embankments to the west to move the center line, concerned about run-off transport & erosion/flooding. Would this require ditching? Update from Shri post meeting: discussed with GZA and will not be necessary
 - v. Final 60% design will include evaluating a move of the center line, the retaining wall parking option, and parking area for IIT by Dunn Lane.
 - b. Contingency Design Discussion:
 - i. Without losing momentum on obtaining the final design for the long-term design option, we need to discuss options if we are not successful in receiving federal funding to allow construction to begin in the next couple of years.

- ii. Discussion about the possibility of rebuilding existing revetment with larger stones to existing footprint at the south narrows. Designing engineered revetment at the middle.
 - iii. This work would fall under the road commissioner, to move forward as we focus on the long-term solution.
 - iv. General agreement & support for exploring what we are calling high end, short-term solution to protect the road, if we do not receive funding to raise the road immediately.
4. Set Next Meeting Date.
- a. December 11th @ 4:30 pm. (December meeting was canceled)
5. Chloe Joule Motioned to Adjourn, Peter W. seconded. Unanimous approval.