

Town of Pittston River Walk Committee, Meeting Minutes 5/1/23.

6:00 – 7:00 pm Town office

Residents present: Jane Hubert, Jean Ambrose, Jim Lothridge, Todd Lindstrom, Mike Salonen, Sarah Hubert, Mark Krawec, Jason Farris, Wayne Peaslee, Cheryl Peaslee, Woody Hembree, Ansel Bryant

Zoom; N/A

1. 4/8/23 meeting minutes were approved without comment.
2. DEP Site visit 4/22/23 09:00 am: Michael Parker from MDEP solid waste bureau walked the main roadway to the river and pond / lagoon areas. Michael Parker will provide a written report to Sarah Hubert to include his observations and recommendations for hazardous waste concerns. Michael Parker recommended that Pond/Lagoon include bottom sediment testing.
The committee will investigate cost estimates for private contractors who are qualified for environmental assessment and clean up for solid waste and pond/lagoon water quality
3. Scrap Metal removal discussion. Wayne Peaslee and Jim Lothridge discussed plans for initial staging and removal of scrap metal from main Roadway areas. This will be done by volunteers using volunteer's equipment and the Town of Pittston loader. Michael Parker recommended that any vessels that contain fluids, other than water, be left on sight until the environmental assessment is done. First work session is scheduled for 5/6/23 09:00.
5. Forester mapping discussion: Need to establish north boundary monuments/markers. Ansel Bryant and Mike Salonen will research and attempt to locate the boundary markers. Andy Shultz has offered to assist if needed.
6. Other goals for the summer discussion: Many ideas have been presented by the committee including walking trails, parking area(s), small boat access, horseback access, Sand Island access.
Next step is to develop a comprehensive land management plan.
7. New and other business: Ansel Bryant noted that residents on Cedar Grove Road, whom he has spoken to, would like the area to remain as peaceful and quiet as possible.
8. Next meeting June 5, 2023 @ 6 pm at the town office.