CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes for Meeting on September 24, 2020 at the Rindge Recreation/Community Center, Wellington Road

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Attendees: David Drouin, Richard Mellor, Al Lefebvre, Paul McPhie, Fred Rogers

Alternates in Attendance: Rob Rubendall, William Preston, Deni Dickler

OLD BUSINESS

- Playscape Richards sent an update on playscape progress. With the \$2,000 the Rec Comm has, they will use it to collect information needed to develop a suitable base plan of existing conditions using all the material they have available including a delineation of the scope of the project. They expect to develop a plan with drawings.
- Farmer's Market Update Dickler reported that they sold \$47 of clothing and received a donation of some pumpkins from Judy Unger-Clark which were sold with funds going to the Conservation Fund. The next and last market is on October 8 which will be covered by Preston and Dickler.
- Update on PURD Subcommittee Dickler reported that the subcommittee met the previous week. Officially there are 9 members of the subcommittee that includes (among others): Jason Paolino, Holly Koski, Roberts Oeser, Sam Bouchie, Ronnie Hamilton, Judy Unger-Clark, Sharon Rasku and Dickler.
- Miriam Hunt Walking Tour Update Rogers reported that 8 people attended the tour and enjoyed themselves. The next tour is October 18 at Schoolhouse Park.
- Designated Prime Wetlands Dickler explained the requirements for having a wetland designated as a Designated Prime Wetlands. The Commission discussed this issue and decided to establish a subcommittee in January to research the issue and its pros and cons.
- Monitoring of conservation lands McPhie recommended placing a sign the Ford Family Wildlife Preserve for requiring dogs on leashes, no hunting or trapping.

NEW BUSINESS

• BOA Variance Application for 67 County Rd, Map10 Lot 39, Sally Collins. Stephen Crow of Septic Pro represented Mrs. Collins and explained that he did not know of the Rindge 100' wetlands setback requirements when he put in the replacement septic system by mistake. While he apologized for the error the Commission explained that it could not condone the installation of system. The Commission explained that these regulations have been in place for many years and he should have confirmed town requirements prior to installation. Mellor moved that an opinion be letter be sent to the Board of Adjustment to indicate that the Commission does not support the design and its installation as it would set a precedent. Mc Phie seconded the motion and the Commission approved the motion. Drouin will prepare and send the opinion letter.

• Wetlands Permit Application, Map 3 Lots 72-19 and 72-20, Manea Drive, East Monomonac Estates Subdivision off of East Monomonac Road. The owner and applicant is ATA Construction, LLC. This is for the renewing of the wetlands permit that was approved in 2005. The driveway was never constructed. Kirk Stenerson explained that this was an old application that had lapsed/expired. He explained that the culverts being installed were larger than indicated on the original application to handle 100 year water flow. After discussion, Mellor motioned and Lefebvre seconded to agree with the application. The Commission voted to approve the motion.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION per RSA 91-A:3 – REAL ESTATE

Preston motioned and McPhie seconded to go into the non-public session. The Commission was polled and all approved.

Preston motioned McPhie seconded to seal the non-public Minutes.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: September 14, 2020

Preston moved and McPhie seconded to approve the Public and non-public Minutes September 14, 2020. After discussion and minor changes, the members approved the motion.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS - None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

OFFICIAL NOTICES -

NH DES 2020-02164, Shoreland Permit Application at Map 19 Lot 18, 10-12 Hudson Way, Scott/Sonja Honkala. Drouin explained that after emailing with the DES, he learned how regulations apply/do not apply to Commission expectations.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

NEXT MEETING: October 12, 2020

2020 Schedule of Meetings: Oct. 22, Nov. 9, December 14

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Lefebvre