

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes for Meeting on January 28, 2021

This meeting was held online.

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call attendance - Mellor

Conservation Commission members present: David Drouin (by telephone), Richard Mellor (Acting Chair), Al Lefebvre, Doreen Richards, Fred Rogers, Paul Mc Phie, Phil Simeone

Alternates Members present: Rob Rubendall, William Preston, Deni Dickler, Fred Dodge

OLD BUSINESS

- Playscape – Richards reported that there was no substantial update but the Recreation Committee is reaching out to Jennifer Brooke and Dan Bemis to attend a future meeting.
- Future Meetings & Activities – Drouin
 - o Snow Moon Hike, February 26 (fire ring, PR) - Drouin indicated the walk is still scheduled and asked Dicker to post a notice. He indicated the bonfire idea is a good one for the end of the walk but that someone would need to stay with it until it was completely extinguished so that aspect of the walk was cancelled.
 - o Ford Family Wildlife Preserve: Burn brush/detritus, Millers River Bridge – Drouin reported that a brush burn will occur and he will out send a notice when it is scheduled.
 - o Tetreault/Town Forest: Signage, boundary for No Hunting, tree cutting before 2/26 (Mellor), tree cutting at cabin. Mellor reported that he had cut up a tree at the rail-to-trail access. Tree cutting around the cabin is on hold while boundary marking is not presently urgent.
- Navian – Planning Board Conditions review. Drouin mentioned and discussed the response from the Planning Director about the Commission's concerns that were expressed in a letter sent to the Planning Board. The Commission was interested in still communicating with the Planning Board about its concerns and how best to move forward especially with regards to sways and storage structures within the 50' setback. Dickler and Drouin will draft a letter to send to the Planning Board.
- DTS – Site Plan review (*see DES 2020-02950 below also*) In response to the Commission's request, DTS provided the full plans for the site along Route 202. The Commission reviewed the plans and found no major issues.
- Prime Wetlands – Dickler/Richards/Rogers. This subcommittee met on January 25 and reviewed plans it had obtained from the Town Office concerning wetlands. The committee plans to contact the Fitzwilliam Conservation Commission for their experience with this issue and for whatever documents they could share.
- Monitoring of conservation lands – Lefebvre
 - o Ford Family Wildlife Preserve – pipes containing asbestos need to be properly removed. Drouin will make contact with someone he knows who does this type of work for a cost estimate.

- o Converse Meadow – Mellor has cut trees in the area. KDI had indicated they would help with other cutting but has yet to respond.
- o Tetreault Park – see notes above.

NEW BUSINESS

- BOA Variance Application Case #1160, Map 5 Lot 25, 16 Quimby Rd, James and Lisa Trautwein – Both applicants attended the meeting and explained their situation with regard to an old septic system that gets flooded during heavy rains and how the proposed new one would remedy the problems. The size of the property and wetlands constrain their options. The Commission requested a revised plan that identifies the location of the old septic system and the proposed new one. The Trautweins will obtain a plan with the information and bring it to the next meeting on February 8.
- Chamber of Commerce *Rindge Community Newsletter* article – Dickler requested suggestions for an article in the upcoming edition of the newsletter. The Commission suggested information about Schoolhouse Park and the Ford Wildlife preserve as well as mentioning the need for \$2100 more to obtain the matching \$25,000 to purchase land at the Rindge Stone & Gravel site.

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

Simeone motioned and Richards seconded to enter into a non-public session. Commission members were polled and approved the motion.

After the non-public session, Simeone motioned and Richards seconded to seal the non-public minutes and the Commission approved.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Public and Non-Public Minutes, January 11, 2020

Dickler moved and Rogers seconded to approve the Minutes January 11, 2022. The Commission, with Lefebvre abstaining, approved the motion.

Richards moved and Simeone seconded to approve the Non-Public Minutes January 11, 2022.

Lefebvre suggested an edit and Commission members agreed and approved the motion with Lefebvre abstaining.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS - None

OFFICIAL NOTICES –

- NH DES 2021-00105, Shoreland Impact Permit, Map 14 Lot 44, 44 Lachance Dr., Lake Monomonac, Ezra Ketola – reviewed by Commission, no action.
- NH DES 2020-02760, Shoreland Impact Permit, Map 47 Lot 4, 44 Monadnock Rd., Natalie and Richard Wheeler. - reviewed by Commission, no action.
- NH DES 2020-02950 Expedited Minimum Impact Permit, Map 2 Lot 44, Tyler Deruosi – See notes above.

NEXT MEETING: February 8, 2021 (virtual via Zoom)

Schedule of 2021 Meetings (*note: Jan – Mar meetings will be virtual via Zoom*): Feb. 25, Mar. 8 & 25, Apr. 12 & 22, May 10 & 27, June 14 & 24, July 12 & 22, Aug. 9 & 26, Sept. 13 & 23, Oct. 11 & 28, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

Minutes recorded by Al Lefebvre