



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

30 PAYSON HILL ROAD

RINDGE, NH 03461

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Draft Minutes for Meeting on June 14, 2021, 7:00 p.m. at Rindge Town Office

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm

Conservation Commission members present: David Drouin, Phil Simeone, Doreen Richards, Paul McPhie, Fred Rogers, Al Lefebvre (late)

Alternate members present: William Preston, Deni Dickler, Fred Dodge, Rob Rubendall

Other attendees/participants: Judy Unger

OLD BUSINESS

- Planning Board application for a Major Subdivision submitted by Higher Design, PLLC, on behalf of Kings Way, LLC, 29 Diane's Way, Rindge, NH 03461 for property located on NH Route 119, Tax Map 6 Lot 73 in the Residential-Agricultural and Gateway East Zoning Districts. The applicant is seeking approval for a 20 lot subdivision. Site visit with Planning Board will be held June 15 at 6:00 pm
 - Question about the planning board discussion of encroachment on wetland buffer – Phil Stenersen.
- Lock'd Up Storage plan review - Map 2, Lot 59-3-1.
 - The revised plan stays away from the wetlands and is a better plan
- ZBA hearing of RCC Appeal Application for Map 2 Lot 59-3-, Sears Way, owned by Patriot's Holdings – June 22, 2021
 - Next Tuesday, the ZBA will review the appeal for the work being done at the original Sears building. Owners are expanding the driveway around to the north into the buffer zone. The plan was approved by Planning Board without having to seek relief. Will not fall under special exception clause. BOA is meeting without public input to decide whether they will hear the appeal. If they decide to hear it, they would open a hearing either that night or postpone for applicant to present evidence. Mellor will be present with Drouin supporting
- Ford Family Nature Preserve pipe removal – Drouin
 - Drouin called Dempro Construction, the contractor, for an updated quote; the quote is still \$2800. Dempro will pick-up and dispose of items at the appropriate site during the 2nd week of July. They have done this type of work before. Motion to approve the contract by Phil Simeone seconded by Doreen Richards. All approved
- Shoreland Reviews
 - Bancroft Road - DES File # 2021-00343, Frank Volpe, Mellor & Lefebvre review
 - Mellor, Volpe and Lefebvre met the owner at the site. Lefebvre reported that he was present at the site with Volpe and Mellor explained the work that needed to

be done to avoid town fines. The owner was receptive to what needed to be done. He will hire a consultant to develop a mitigation plan and share it with the Town and NHDES.

- Van Dyke site visit with Code Enforcement – Lefebvre
 - Lefebvre reported on the meeting with Jamie and Kathy Van Dyke along with Bob Hamilton (Selectman) and Sarah Gravell (Town Administrator) on July 9 at the Town Office. At the meeting, Town officials reviewed the damage to wetlands that had been done almost two years ago and that by now a plan should be in place for mitigation. Jamie Van Dyke explained that he had been working on old advice but that he has hired a contractor to develop a plan to repair the damage. He expects to have the plan at the Town Office by June 25 for review.
- Monitoring of conservation lands – Lefebvre
 - Contoocook Marsh – McPhie. First hike/tour with public is Sunday, June 20 and will be led by Dodge and will start from County Rd at 1:30: it is the kick off for pollinator week
 - Ford Family Nature Preserve. Drouin noticed possible Turtle egg bed with nice gravel, but the eggs were eaten and recommends fencing to protect the bed.
 - Converse Meadow – Monadnock Conservancy will walk the area with McPhie.
 - McPhie reported on the yearly monitor of Converse Meadow he had with Richard Pendleton of the Conservancy who had a great map of the property on his i-pad – McPhie will send the email so we can get the contact. Drouin will ask Ann McBride for it as well.
 - Tom P educating professionals on wetlands. Asked him for PR on this
 - Tetreault Park & Town Forest – Update – Rubendall
 - Better map of the property and better trail markings are needed.
 - He will ask Mr. Bumpus, an adjoining resident, if he would be willing to sell small piece of his property from Town Forest gate on Homestead Lane to the trail that comes out on his property to make easier access and walking for the public. Richards

NEW BUSINESS

- Dr. Weinberg has offered to add some of his properties to his easement and wants Commission support in getting Town's approval to amend the easement agreement. Asked for presentation so we can discuss next week. Dr. Weinberg also offered to sponsor a Commission hike on his conservation easement property for the public. Lefebvre check liability issues and respond to the offer.
- Rindge Stone & Gravel
 - Award from Roy Hunt foundation of \$10k
 - Davis Foundation – Proposes that RCC request to extend the award to the end of the year when it expects to complete the acquisition of Rindge Stone & Gravel
 - Everyone feels this is possible
- Fox Run Easement – put this on the agenda next Thursday the 24th
- Volunteer help – cover this next meeting – Doreen confirm schedule with Dan Bemis
 - First Session:
 - Wednesday, June 30
 - Friday, July 2
 - Tuesday, July 6
 - Wednesday, July 7
 - Friday, July 9



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- Monday, July 12
- Wednesday, July 14
- Second Session:
- Wednesday, July 21
- Friday, July 23
- Monday, July 26
- Wednesday, July 28
- Friday, July 30
- Monday, August 2
- Wednesday, August 4
- It was reported that the BOA denied Navian's request for a special exception due to conflict with the Town's Wetland Ordinance.

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

Announcements

Annett State Forest logging scheduled for late summer/fall 2021 and will clear red pine, remove the buildings and pavement, return to natural state. Small parking area near gate.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Public Meeting May 27, 2021

Preston motioned and Dickler seconded to approve the Minutes of May 27, 2021. All approved with Richards, Rubendall and McPhie abstaining.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS - None

CORRESPONDENCE – None

OFFICIAL NOTICES

FINANCIAL REPORTS: None

NEXT MEETING: June 24, 2021

Schedule of 2021 Meetings: July 12 & 22, Aug. 9 & 26, Sept. 13 & 23, Oct. 11 & 28, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Richards and Lefebvre