

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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# Minutes for Meeting on July 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m. held at the Rindge Town Office

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm

Conservation Commission members present: David Drouin, Richard Mellor, Paul McPhie, Fred Rog-

ers, Phil Simeone, Doreen Richards, Fred Rogers

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

Other attendees/participants: Judy Unger, Julie Sementa

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- King's Way site review update and Con Comm reply letter to Planning Board concerning Map 6, Lot 73. Mellor explained that he had heard back from Rick Ven de Poll who indicates that he had reviewed past wildlife information at the site and had no concerns. There are drainage questions which the Commission had observed during a site visit and, individual owners will need to keep 50 foot buffer along the brook on the property. The Commission approved sending a letter to the Planning Board explaining the Commission's views and concerns.
- Lock'd Up Storage plan review and Status- Map 6, Lot 94-4. This was previously reviewed and a letter was sent to the Planning Board.
- Fox Run easement monitoring Drouin discussed the need for the Commission to conduct a walk of this easement which has not been done in a few years. He reviewed the letter to the owner outlining the need for such a walk. August 5 (6:00 pm) was set as the date for the walk.
- Tetreault Park Tour update Drouin and Dickler reviewed the attempted tour at Tetreault Park on July 20. They noted that two people came and as they walked they were confronted with flooded areas from the heavy rains that prevented a full walk.
- Farmer's Market update Dickler noted that the next walk is on July 29 with coverage by Preston and Dodge.
- Patriots Holding Planning Board response; Review of Major Site plan re-submitted by Patriot's Holdings, LLC c/o Jeremiah Boucher, 4023 Dean Martin Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89103, Tax Map 2 Lot 59-3-1 in the Business Light Industry Zoning District, hearing by Planning Board August 3 Drouin reviewed that the revised plan B which addressed the earlier concerns of the Commission. Mellor moved and Preston seconded to approve site plan B and to send a letter to the Planning Board although questions arose about the removal of the leach field which will be mentioned in the letter.
- Monitoring of conservation lands
  - Contoocook Marsh
  - Ford Family Nature Preserve a new bridge is needed that needs to be moved at least one foot higher than the water.
  - Converse Meadow McPhie mentioned that water flowing under the bridge near the camping area is pretty high. Mellor suggested moving the bridge about 50 feet inland and prevent it from being affected by the water and backup caused by beavers.
  - Tetreault Park & Town Forest

- Miriam Hunt
- Schoolhouse Park Mellor noted that the park has substantial wind damage with many downed limbs. A tree is leaning near the entrance and needs to be removed. A Commission crew will be at the park on Saturday, Aug. 7 at 9:00 to work on the area.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Chamber of Commerce Newsletter Dickler requested items to submit for the Chamber's September edition.
- Wetland Ordinance Dickler mentioned that some editing is needed for the Ordinance to correctly cite parts (i.e., paragraphs and sections numbers); she will draft a list and bring it to a future Commission meeting to bring to the attention of the Planning Board.
- Bonell Tree cutting The Bonells have some trees that along Pool Pond that need to be removed and would like the Commission's opinion as to how to correctly address the issue. The Commission will conduct a site visit on August 11 at 6:00 pm
- Silva site visit at 221 Bancroft Rd with Peragallo The Commission will conduct a site visit with Tom Peragallo on July 29 at 6:00.
- Review of Van Dyke Goddard Road replanting plans by Aspen Environmental. The Commission reviewed the replanting plans and found that they do not adequately and reasonably return the site to the types of vegetation that existed before their improper and illegal removal; NH DES agrees with the Commission's assessment. The Van Dykes will be notified of the Commission's decision.
- Weinberg Conservation Land tour issues Lefebvre reported that the Town's insurance carrier had issues with a public walk/tour of this area. Drouin mentioned that the carrier had not considered the fact the Current Use usage of such land. Lefebvre will reach out to Sara Gravell and ask for the insurance carrier to reconsider.
- Grant & Funding Status for Rindge Stone & Gravel Lefebvre reviewed the donations received for the purchase. A letter will be sent to donors explaining the status of the progress and to thank them for their assistance.

#### **Announcements**

NHACC Annual Meeting – Nov. 6 (virtual meeting); Updated NHACC Handbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, now available (\$20 each, includes shipping)

Official Notice from LCHIP of funding

LEC Environmental Consultants – Thank you for use of Converse Meadow for course on Soil Genesis

## APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes, July 12, 2021

Simeone motioned and Richards seconded to approve the Minutes of July 12, 2021 and all approved the motion with Rubendall abstaining.

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS - None** 

**CORRESPONDENCE - None** 

## **OFFICIAL NOTICES –**

- NH DES #2021-01290 Shoreland Permit Application for Candace Starett, Map 21 Lot 17, Heron Point Rd – reviewed by Drouin with the Commission
- NH DES #2021-01607 Shoreland Permit Application for David & Wendy Masiello, Map 17 Lot
  19, 98 Lachance Dr reviewed by Drouin with the Commission
- Major Site Plan for 13-unit multi-family development in three buildings on property located at 1222 NH Route 119, Tax Map 6, Lots 74 and 75 in the Gateway East Zoning District by Barkley Enterprises, Planning Board hearing – August 3. The Commission reviewed the site plans for this project and will request a review with the Planning director.



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 Minor Site Plan submitted by 997 LLC for property located at 997 U.S. Route 202, Rindge NH, Tax Map 2 Lot 60-1-2 in the Business-Light Industry Zoning District; seeking approval for a Change of use for the existing building to a four (4) chair hair salon and commercial office space; Planning Board hearing – August 3. The Commission reviewed the site plans for this project and found no issues.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: General Fund Balance as of June 30, 2021

**NEXT MEETING:** August 9, 2021

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

Minutes recorded by Al Lefebvre