

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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## **Draft Minutes for Meeting on January 11, 2021**

***This meeting was held online due to Covid 19 restrictions***

Roll Call attendance – Drouin

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm

Conservation Commission members present - David Drouin, Paul McPhie, Bill Preston, Phil Simeone, Richard Mellor, Fred Rogers, Doreen Richards

Alternate members present - Deni Deckler, Bill Preston, Fred Dodge, Rob Rubendall

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Playscape – Richards – Lemon Brooke will provide some pro bono work to provide a presentation we can use for fund raising. Feb/March timeframe
- Future Meetings & Activities – Snow Moon Hike, February 26 6:30 - Drouin
- Clerical Duties – Drouin
- ZBA Rehearing of Case 1156, 1151, Map 10 Lot 39, 67 County Rd, Sally Collins. Deni attended. Case is continued until they come back with additional site-specific information. Nothing will happen this winter.
- Navian Update. Deni, there was a meeting via Zoom and a vote but no one could hear what was discussed. Dave will email Kirk for information about the discussion and the vote.
- Prime Wetlands – Deni Dickler. The state allows us to identify wetlands that we think need extra protection. Once identified, setback can be increased from 50' to 100'. There needs to be value documented, public hearing and town vote. Suggested sub-committee to determine if there are wetlands in Rindge and which ones we might want extra protection for groundwater and wildlife habitat. Wetlands map could be used as a starting point. Then hire someone to review and certify the selection.
  - o Subcommittee – Deni Dickler, Doreen Richards, Fred Rogers
- Jaffrey Rindge School District Wellness Committee – Bill Preston Consensus that Con Com will give permission to Jaffrey Rindge SDWC to put posts on one of our conservation lands. These will include QR codes to guide people & students to specific activities along the trails.
- Annual Report – Drouin Draft completed. Needs to be submitted by Friday.
- Match Grant, Dickler \$2,100 needed in order to get the \$25K. No hard deadline from the grantor.
- Monitoring of conservation lands – Lefebvre
  - o Contoocook Marsh
  - o Ford Family Wildlife Preserve
  - o Converse Meadow
  - o Tetreault Park – Trees down on trail off the rail trail.
  - o Miriam Hunt
  - o Others
- Guests:

- o Judy Unger-Clark Ford Property value of opening this property to the public.
- o Julie Sementa listening in.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Monadnock Conservancy Letter – Drouin Notes in Non-Public Session. Stated their willingness to fund the property acquisition. The letter requests feedback to specific questions.

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

Phil Simeone\_ motioned and \_Richard Mellor\_ seconded to go into the non-public session. The Commission was polled and all approved of the motion.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Public and Non-Public Minutes, December 14, 2020

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS** - None

**CORRESPONDENCE** – Winchendon Conservation Commission Letter – we were notified because we aren't an abutter but we are identified as interested parties.

## **OFFICIAL NOTICES –**

- NH DES 2020-02537, Shoreland Impact Permit, Map 22 Lot 19, 162 Swan Point Rd., Lake Monomonac, Thelma and Marvin Zelen - Dave approached building dept regarding building permit. Before they can get a permit, they will need a building permit and a special exception
- NH DES 2020-02760, Shoreland Impact Permit, Map 47 Lot 4, 44 Monadnock Rd., Natalie and Richard Wheeler. Returned to applicant. Doesn't meet RSA adequately address water protection act for multiple structures. Asked to submit a revised proposal by the 23rd
- Intent to Cut, Map 1 Lot 11-8, Sunridge Road, Lynda Hunt - 175 acres, 20 acre cut.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Postage Expense \$1.00; Financial Status Reports

Discussion about tree fund, suggested to keep \$5000 in the fund.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Public and Non-Public Minutes, December 14, 2020. Motion to approve minutes Richard Mellor motioned, Fred Dodge seconded and approved by all

**NEXT MEETING:** January 28, 2021 (virtual via Zoom)

**Schedule of 2021 Meetings** (*note: Jan – Mar meetings will be virtual via Zoom*): Feb. 8 & 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

*And any other business that comes before the Commission.*

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## **Online meeting Information**

*As Chair of the Conservation Commission, I find that due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this Board/Commission is authorized to meet electronically.*

## **Online Access Information**

The Commission will use the Zoom\* application for its meetings on the second Monday and fourth Thursday of each month. Interested parties should use the directions below for Monday meetings.

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