



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

30 PAYSON HILL ROAD

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Minutes for Meeting on August 25, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Convened at 7:00 pm

Members present: David Drouin, Al Lefebvre, Fred Rogers,

Alternate members present: Deni Dickler

Others in attendance: Del Friedman, Karl Pruter

OLD BUSINESS

- Mattabesec Wildlife Corridor Update – Lefebvre reported on the following
 - Has been in contact with Town lawyer, Gary Kinyon, concerning changes needed to the deed for the Drinking Water (DWGWTF) Trust Fund. He indicated he's working on it but is currently loaded with work. I told him the changes are holding up the grant funds.
 - Chipping plan – Dodge is away and we're awaiting repairs to his chipper to proceed with the work at the parking area.
 - Donor letter is going in the mail on Friday.
- Farmer's Market - Dickler reported that more people attended the market than in the past but no clothing was sold.
- Canoe Donation – Dickler asked about the status of the donation. The Commission has not heard back from the Rec Committee and its possible use. Suggestion was made to accept the canoe and work on use details.
- Wetlands Ordinance proposal update. The Commission discussed different suggested changes for a recommendation to the Planning Board. Drouin will draft a letter to the Planning Board's subcommittee for consideration.
- Monitoring of conservation lands – Lefebvre reported that he found a flat stone at Schoolhouse Park to place on the well hole. He will contact a member of the Conservation Corps for assistance to move and place the stone on the well hole.
- Schoolhouse Park tour – Lefebvre reported that twelve people (including three children) for the tour and history of the old schoolhouse provided by Karla MacLeod, President of the Rindge Historical Society and tour guide.
- ARPA Tractor request – Lefebvre reported that he met with the Town's Commission about the request and has provided the Town Finance Director with requested backup information.
- Merrimack Grant – Dickler reported that she found only two signs at the Contoocook Conservation Complex that were installed during its initial work as an Eagle Scout project (Jeff Wilson). Both signs need to be replaced but wanted to know if there had been more signs at the site and complex.

NEW BUSINESS

- Intent to Cut, Map 5 Lot 40, Bean Hill Rd., Randy Burt. Notice was reviewed by the RCC. Drouin mentioned that he had already spoken with Burt about the cut.
- Town of Winchendon, Notice of Decision, Modification, Formal Site Plan Approval with Low Impact Development Endorsement, Modification Plan #2020-0521. Reviewed by the Commission.
- Application for a Minor Subdivision submitted by Jedadiah Paquin, NHLLS #978 on behalf of Rose and Arthur Knight, P.O. Box 86, 32 Jericho Road, Rindge, NH 03461 for property located at Perry Road, Tax Map 7, Lot 87 in the Residential-Agricultural Zoning District. The applicant is seeking approval for a 3 lot subdivision. Reviewed by the Commission. Drouin will prepare a response to the Planning Board.

- Karl Pruter mentioned that residents were having problems with water as some wells are drying, some empty as no significant rain has fallen in some weeks. The Town is in a severe drought. Shallow wells are particularly affected as well as many streams. Possible public presentation?
- Hemlock Looper Infestation – Dickler indicated she had received an email from the Chair of the Sharon Conservation Commission about what the RCC might be doing about the Hemlock Looper infestation. The RCC has nothing planned. Possible public presentation?

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes for August 8, 2022

Dickler motioned and Rogers seconded to approve the Minutes of August 8, 2022. Dickler asked that first names of Alternates also be listed. The Commission agreed with the change and approved the minutes.

Schedule of 2022 Meetings: Sept. 12 & 22, October 10 & 27, Nov 14, Dec. 12

Tour Schedule: Sept. 25 – Miriam Hunt, October 16 -Contoocook Marsh

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm