



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes for meeting on April 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m. At the Rindge Recreation Center on Wellington Road

Presentation on the Rocks & Rills Around Monadnock – Rogers

Meeting Convened at 6:30 pm

Members present: David Drouin, Fred Rogers, Richard Mellor, Phil Simeon, Rob Rubendall

Alternate members present: Deni Dickler, Del Friedman

No. of Other Attendees: 43 (including Karl Pruter)

OLD BUSINESS

- Tetreault Park/Playscape work – Drouin and Mellor reviewed status of tree cutting and clearing for playscape. Drouin noted damage to the cabin roof. Jason Gorman is planning to begin work within two weeks, contract is not yet completed. Eversource marked the 300' perimeter for overhead electric lines. Drouin suggested holding raffle in fall for cord of firewood from cut trees.
- Cons Comm rep to Planning Bd Ordinance Review—The Planning Board will be forming a subcommittee to review Zoning Ordinances led by Roberta Oeser.
- Monitoring of conservation lands—Drouin delivered supplies for 11 benches to volunteers who will construct them, and has metal for sign posts at Mattabesick. Mellor marked a connector trail at Mattabesick. Invitations for the Grand Opening were sent. Friedman and Rubendall discussed infringement on Mattabesick by abutters; Rubendall will draft letter to abutters. Brooks Rogers started clean-up at Converse Meadow. Commission noted the high amount of winter clean-up needed.
- Goddard Road Enforcement—Pruter was asked about status of follow-up on Goddard Road violations. No further action has been taken. Drouin re-iterated that enforcement is the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chipper—Drouin and Mellor discussed need for and cost of a used chipper. A substantial amount of brush needs to be chipped at Tetreault. Mellor motioned, Rogers seconded purchase of used chipper up to \$8,000. Commission approved (7-0-0). Mellor will take lead on search for and purchase of chipper.
- Earth Day—Work Day will be held from 9:00 a.m.-Noon on Saturday April 22 at Converse Meadow and Tetreault/Town Forest. Email will go to Conservation Corps and Friends, news placed on website, and posts on Facebook. Those interested are asked to RSVP to help with staffing at each location. Participants are encouraged to bring gloves, loppers, hand saws and similar tools.
- Election of Officers—Dickler motioned and Friedman seconded retaining the current slate of officers (Drouin Chair, Mellor, Vice-Chair). Commission re-elected current officers (6-0-1)

OFFICIAL NOTICES:

NH DES 3023-00474 Shoreland Impact Permit, 90 & 92 Thayer Rd., Map 48 Lot 76, David E. Temple

Reviewed by Commission

Announcements/Reminders

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Minutes for March 23, 2023

Mellor motioned and Rogers seconded to approve the Minutes of March 23, 2023. The Commission voted and approved the motion with 2 abstaining.

NEXT MEETING: April 27, 2023, Earth Day Workday April 22

Schedule of 2023 Meetings: May 8 & 25, June 12 & 22,

July 10 & 27, Aug. 14 & 24, Sept. 11 & 28, Oct. 9 & 26, Nov. 13, Dec. 11.

And any other business that comes before the Commission.

Meeting adjourned 8:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Deni Dickler