

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of
May 20, 2020**

PRESENT: Tim Lovell, Jim Wilkinson, Neil Reardon, Brent Ebner, Steve Ungerer and David Treat via telephone conference.

Mr. Lovell called the meeting to order at 7PM

Minutes

Mr. Lovell made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of February 19, 2020 with amendments, the motion was seconded by Mr. Ebner. Vote: 5-0-1 (Mr. Reardon abstained)

There is still one open spot of the Conservation Commission, Jim Wilkinson is interested and will provide a letter of interest to the Selectmen.

Eagle Scout Project

An Eagle Scout project was discussed in which six benches will be built this summer.

Complaints on Starwood/Golden Meadow

Due to COVID-19 more people are getting out and exploring the conservation trails. As a result, some complaints have come in about parking at the trailheads. The Cul-de-sacs are not meant to hold that many cars. Certain times of the day are busier than others. It is believed that the parking situation is temporary, while more people may use the trails after COVID-19, there will be a decrease in the traffic.

Appointments

Mr. Lovell made a motion to appoint Steve Ungerer as a full time member. Mr. Ebner seconded the Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lovell made a motion to appoint Neil Reardon as a full time member. The motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Lovell made a motion to appoint James Wilkinson as an alternate member. Mr. Ebner seconded the Motion passed unanimously.

Spring Maintenance

Mr. Lovell stained a couple of the bridges. He may do two others at the Moore and Randall parcels. The Starwood bridge is broken in three places. The commission also discussed the dam and whether or not there was beaver activity in this area. They will have to wait until the water level goes down to remove the debris.

Other subjects

Mr. Treat brought up a topic of having a volunteer group get rid of invasive species. Mr. Wilkinson said that he was interested in mapping instead of having an outside agency do the work. Mr. Treat mentioned Trailfinder and that a lot of the information is on there. However you cannot print the maps off line. The Commission should have one complete

set of maps and print handouts that would be available to people. Mr. Wilkinson would be willing to help out. Mr. Treat was concerned with completeness and accuracy of the maps.

Brady Lane

Mr. Lovell viewed the property and didn't see any signs of turtles in the pond area.

Broadcasting

Mr. Lovell made a Motion to continue broadcasting meeting. Mr. Reardon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reardon made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lovell. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:10 PM.

The next meeting will be held on June 17, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Theriault