

Conservation Commission
Meeting minutes of
September 18, 2019

PRESENT: Tim Lovell, Paul Carideo, David Treat, Brent Ebner, and Steve Ungerer.

Mr. Lovell called the meeting to order at 7PM

Minutes

Mr. Lovell made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of August 21, 2019 as amended, the motion was seconded by Mr. Ebner. Vote: 5-0

Easement

Based on Town Counsel's recommendation the easement should not include the additional wording that was discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Lovell made a motion to re-accept the conservation easement part 3b. Mr. Carideo seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Shop pond weeds

Mr. Lovell brought samples of some of the weeds that are in Shop Pond. There is Hydrilla waterweed and Fanwort. The Fanwort is like a carpet in the sunny portion of the pond. He believes that the Fanwort might be in Wash Pond as well.

The chemical that was used in Shop Pond a couple of years ago is gone. Mr. Carideo wondered if the increase in the weeds is due to the work that was done on Mill Shore Drive. The weed remediation could be done next year. The estimate for the work is \$3,150. If the Fanwort is in Wash Pond the weeds will definitely come back to Shop Pond. Mr. Carideo suggested looking at the discharge, the outlet side of Wash Pond at the dam.

Trail System

Mr. Lovell mentioned the bridge with the broken beam. He would like to use pressure treated wood for the main beam and the planks. Mr. Ebner believes that the cost for the wood will be around \$1,000. The railings are not necessary and the railings could be a potential risk if someone wanted to sit on it.

Mr. Treat said that there is a large tree in the area that could be used in place of the broken beam. In the past an old telephone pole was used.

Budget

Mr. Lovell made a motion to change the budget to increase the Town Forest line item to \$4150, dues to \$500 and \$75 for supplies. Mr. Treat seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Atkinson and Hampstead Conservation Commissions

Mr. Carideo said that if the Conservation Commission gives the Town's mapper the GIS information at the same time the Planning Board is updating everything else, there won't

be an extra fee for the update. Mr. Ebner is working on the coordinates for the emergency access. Mr. Treat will provide a list of conservation land.

Mr. Treat advised of the walk this Saturday starting at 9AM. They will be looking to see what signs are missing that need to be replaced.

The annual conservation meeting is scheduled for November 2nd. Mr. Treat would like to attend.

Planning Board Update–

An application for a subdivision on Emerson Ave. has been submitted to the Planning Board. The driveway will be in between the two ponds and there is a question concerning drainage.

The storage business on Route 111 is looking to expand. The ZBA approved a number of variances. There is a concern about the detention pond and treatment of the water before it goes into Hog Hill Pond. The ZBA is allowing 27% lot coverage instead of 15%. The Town's Attorney did not recommend this. Blandings turtles may be in the area. The developer indicated that there would be less than 100,000 Sq. Ft. disturbance therefore the permitting requirements are less. Mr. Lovell will write a letter to NH Fish and Game. The old site was a plastics business and the Commission was worried about what might be in the soil. Mr. Carideo said that there is a lot of group 5 and 6 wetlands. The Town Engineer will be reviewing the plan. Mr. Carideo also brought up the MS4 regulations.

Mr. Carideo also provided an update concerning the Water Resource Committee.

Mr. Treat made a motion to go into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91A3II (d) land purchase. Mr. Ebner seconded the motion. Roll Call Mr. Treat: yes, Mr. Ebner: yes, Mr. Ungerer: yes, Mr. Carideo: yes and Mr. Lovell: yes.

There was a discussion concerning a parcel that the Commission was interested in purchasing. Mr. Lovell will contact the owner. The Commission is not sure if the owner is interested in selling or not.

Mr. Lovell made a motion to come out of nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91A3II (d) land purchase. Mr. Carideo seconded the motion. Roll Call Mr. Treat: yes, Mr. Ebner: yes, Mr. Ungerer: yes, Mr. Carideo: yes and Mr. Lovell: yes.

Mr. Carideo made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting will be held on October 16, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Theriault