



*Town of Weare  
Conservation Commission*

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**Commission Members:**

Andy Fulton, Chairman  
Steve Najjar, Vice Chairman  
Sherry Burdick  
Lori Davis  
Bill Bolton  
Mike Camacho  
Lisa Purington-Grolljahn,  
Alternate

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION – December 9, 2020 DRAFT MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Andy Fulton

**Members present:** Andy Fulton, Chairman; Steve Najjar, Vice Chairman; and Mike Camacho via Zoom; Bill Bolton and Lori Davis in the conference room

**Absent:** Sherry Burdick

**Guests:** Town Administrator Naomi Bolton; Ray Lemay; Marc Phillips

**I. DISCUSSIONS:**

**A. VISITORS:**

Ray Lemay, 212 River Road is interested in joining the Conservation Commission. Mr. Lemay explained that he owns HS&G Erosion Control so he heavily involved in environmental issue with his business. He feels he can bring a little bit of knowledge to the Conservation Commission. He has lived in this area his entire life. He follows as much public information that he can get his hands on, but this is his first in person meeting he has attended. Mr. Lemay stated that over the years he has noticed that there are places that have been developed that probably shouldn't have due to the soils that may not have been watched closely. Mr. Lemay started doing work in the environmental field in his teens and really has more practical experience. He has done a lot with soils and environmental compliance. He knows what works and what doesn't. He takes it very seriously. Chairman Fulton stated that the application will be forwarded to him by the Town Administrator for signature to be passed onto the Board of Selectmen.

Marc Phillips, was there to update the bridge on the Woods property. The bridge is complete. It was a 30' bridge over the stream. Steve Najjar asked if the bridge is bank to bank or was the trail notification used. Town Administrator Bolton stated that it was bank to bank but the Board of Selectmen signed the trails notification permit and the snowmobile club paid the fee. Mr. Najjar stated that he doesn't think that there is a clear understanding of who has the authority to make decisions on certain things, Town Forest, etc. Chairman Fulton stated that at the minimum the Conservation Commission could be carbon copied on things.

**B. MINUTES:**

**November 17, 2020 Minutes:** Steve Najjar moved, Lori Davis seconded to approve the November 17, 2020 minutes as written. Passed 5-0-0

**C. Planning Board Plans:** *Frank Burl, 2 Lot Subdivision, Rockland Road & Route 77, Tax Map 202-094:* The Commission reviewed the plan and will send the following concerns to the Planning Board.

1. Sure would be nice if the plan was decorated with the wetland scientist stamp.
2. It looks like the 4K box is within 75 feet of jurisdiction wetlands; per RSA 485A, this may be a problem/nonconforming.

**D. DES Letter:**

NHDES – letter of Notice of Acceptance of Shoreland Permit Application – Russell Drive, Tax Map 103, Lot 33. Chairman Fulton stated that the DES letter is acknowledged without comment.

**E. WARRANT ARTICLES:**

- *Article for Town Forester:* Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to allow the Conservation Commission to secure contracted services with a Licensed Forester for forestry services including plan updates, harvest layout, harvest management, forest inventory, invasive species control and other related services; and to allow the Conservation Commission to contract or purchase materials or services for maintenance and upkeep of town forests, and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of that sum from the Town Forest Account? **Steve Najjar moved, Lori Davis seconded to send the article as written to the Board of Selectmen for the 2021 Town Warrant. Passed 5-0-0**
- *Article for Town Forest Land:* Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000.00) for the Conservation Commission expenditure toward the purchase of new town forest land, and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of that sum from the Town Forest Account? **Steve Najjar moved, Lori Davis seconded to send the article as written to the Board of Selectmen for the 2021 Town Warrant. Passed 5-0-0**

**F. TOWN FOREST LAND:**

There is a possible purchase of property for Town Forest Land in the works and in hopes of getting it done by December 31, 2020. **Steve Najjar moved, Lori Davis seconded that in the event no signed P&S using 2020 funds doesn't work they would like to move the above article to be a total of \$290,000. Passed 5-0-0**

**G. Other Business:**

- **Buxton School Road Property:** Lori Davis stated that there are 25-40 acres +/- that the current owner's intent is to sell the property and not to be developed. It is in the process of surveying, but not yet advertised for sale. Steve Najjar offered to call once information is given to him from Lori Davis.
- **ATV use on Eastman Property:** Vice Chairman Najjar stated that Hailey Nase has emailed the commission regarding the ATV use on the Eastman Conservation property. Kevin Bronson from Fish and Game has been contacted. There was also an email from Karen Roy regarding an ATV complaint on the far side of the wetlands near the Henniker Town Line.
- **Banks/Shmid Property:** Vice Chairman Najjar stated that Jeremy Turner found an un-monumented area while out on the property doing work. Dalhberg Land Surveying did the plan for the Town, so he should be contacted for an explanation.

**II. NEXT MEETING:**

The next Commission meeting will be held on January 13, 2021 @ 7 PM.

**III NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

Steve Najjar moved to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) @ 8:16 PM, Lori Davis seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Fulton-yes; Najjar – yes; Camacho – yes; Bolton – yes; Davis – yes.

Steve Najjar moved to exit the nonpublic session at 8:34 PM, Lori Davis seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Fulton-yes; Najjar – yes; Camacho – yes; Bolton – yes; Davis – yes.

Steve Najjar moved to seal and restrict these minutes of this nonpublic session, Lori Davis seconded the motion. Passed 5-0-0

### III. ADJOURNMENT

Steve Najjar moved, Lori Davis seconded to adjourn at 8:37 PM. All members voted in favor 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

*Naomi L. Bolton*

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