



Town of Weare Conservation Commission

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Conservation Commission – March 08, 2023 Draft Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Andy Fulton, Chairman; Steve Najjar, Vice Chairman, Ray Lemay; Sherry Burdick, Mike Camacho

Absent: Marc Phillips

GUESTS:

Susan Texton

Phillip Cody

Chairman Fulton called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm., welcomed those present to the April 13, 2023 Weare Conservation Commission meeting. Confirming his quorum in attendance to his left, Ray Lemay, Vice Chairman Steve Najjar; and to his right Sherry Burdick and Mike Camacho

I. APPOINTMENTS/GUESTS:

Susan Texton and Philip Cody expressed interest in getting involved with the conservation commission and spoke to volunteer work with the Piscataquog Land Conservancy.

II. MINUTES:

A backlog of minutes are close to being finalized and will be posted.

III. AGENDA ITEMS

A: Survey award for town forest – bids for the Hardwick lot

CC received one bid by email. The CC determined a bid received via email is non-compliant and was not entertained.

Three bids received via mail. Two of the bids were received before the February 8, 2023 5:00PM deadline.

The two bids received in a timely manner were from Meridian and Hancock Associates. The CC reviewed and discussed the bids. The CC decided to accept the bid from Meridian because it was more affordable, and they are familiar with Meridian's work.

Mr. Najjar moved that the Conservation Commission accept the bid from Meridian to perform the Hardwick lot survey for \$6,500. Sherry Burdick Seconded the motion. Passed 5-0-0.

B. Asbestos results and demolition at Barden

Asbestos sampling detected asbestos containing material at the property. An abatement contractor needs to be hired. Mike Camacho will send NHDES asbestos contact information to Naomi for a list of contractors.

C. Town email address for conservation business

Action Item: Town Administrator to create email for conservation chair.

D. Minutes

Minutes have been addressed in **II. MINUTES** above.

E. Feltch Farm update

Nothing new to discuss.

F. County lot title research report received.

The CC will give the report to town council. CC asks town council to proceed on CC behalf.

G. Volunteers for potential trail work and CC

See **GUESTS** above. Will contact guests when visiting conservation properties. CC discussed work that can be done maintaining existing trails, trail work that will be done with timber harvesting and an overall larger vision on interconnected trails throughout Weare. This work is time consuming and will require committed volunteers.

G. Email inquiries

Email dated Feb 16, 2023 from Eldon Townes regarding various concerns with the CC. CC will email Mr. Townes and invite him to a meeting to address his concerns.

H. Conservation GIS web viewer

Steve will check status and continue work on a layered GIS map of conservation land available for the public.

I. Meadowsend invoice tracking

Mr. Najjar moved that the Conservation Commission pay the NHTOA Membership dues of \$40.00 out of the operating budget and that Mr. Fulton send an approval email. Sherry Burdick Seconded the motion. Passed 5-0-0.

Invoice #2023-002CF totaling \$487.50 to be paid out of the conservation fund. Invoice was for the Final County Report. Mr. Fulton will authorize the payment.

J. Monuments on Duck Pond and Cortland development

To the best of CC knowledge, the properties are not fully monumented. Will email developer to check on updates.

K. Scheduling a site visit walk for Eastman timber sale

Scheduled for April 4th at 5:00 PM. CC will meet at the high school parking lot. Public welcome.

L. BOS meeting re. property management

Will inquire will BOS when new selectman are up to speed.

M. Conservation Warrant article status

Still an article

L. Reminder that next meeting is bylaw update and election

IV.: PLANNING/ZONING BOARD:

None considered.

V. NHDES MAIL RECEIVED:

Received a PBN for forestry work. No action required.

VI. OTHER MAIL:

Received letter from PLC for 2022 Chevy Hill and Tobey Hill monitoring.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS:

None considered.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: April 12, 2023

Being there was no further business to come before the Board, Vice Chairman Najjar moved, Sherry Burdick seconded to adjourn at 9:14 PM. Passed 5-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

A True Record.

Michael Camacho

Conservation Commission Secretary

From notes