

**TOWN OF WOLFEBORO  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
September 13, 2021  
APPROVED MINUTES**

*Chairman Clark opened the meeting at the Wolfeboro Public Library at 6:34 pm.*

**Members Present:** Lenore Clark, Chair, Dan Coons, Vice-Chair, Dave Senecal, BOS Representative, Warren Muir, Nancy Byrd, Members, Bob Gilbert, Sarah Silk, Alternates.

**Members Absent:** Brian Gifford, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy, Members, Jim Nupp, Alternate.

**Staff Present:** Lee Ann Hendrickson, Administrative Secretary.

*Chairman Clark appointed Bob Gilbert, Alternate, to sit in for Ed Roundy, Member, and appointed Sarah Silk, Alternate, to sit in for Jeff Marchand, Member.*

**I. Approval of Minutes**

**August 9, 2021**

**Corrections:** Page 3, Willey Brook Trail Expansion, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph; change “children” to “independent riders”  
Page 3, Conservation Property Boundary Marking, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph, 1<sup>st</sup> sentence; change “signs” to “tree tags”

**It was moved by Dan Coons and seconded by Sarah Silk to approve the August 9, 2021 Conservation Commission minutes as amended. Lenore Clark, Nancy Byrd, Bob Gilbert, Dan Coons voted in favor. Sarah Silk abstained. The motion passed.**

**September 10, 2021**

**Corrections:** Page 1, Goodwins Basin, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence; insert “Stalin Arias of Bartlett Tree Service stated” prior to “tree”

**It was moved by Dan Coons and seconded by Sarah Silk to approve the September 10, 2021 Conservation Commission minutes as amended. Lenore Clark, Nancy Byrd, Bob Gilbert, Dan Coons voted in favor. Sarah Silk abstained. The motion passed.**

**August 27, 2021 Dredge & Fill**

**It was moved by Dan Coons and seconded by Sarah Silk to approve the August 9, 2021 Conservation Commission Dredge & Fill minutes as submitted. Lenore Clark, Bob Gilbert, Dan Coons voted in favor. Sarah Silk, Nancy Byrd abstained. The motion passed.**

**II. Discussion Items**

**a. Towns Garden**

Lenore Clark stated she received an email from Sue Poirier stating there is an excess of food that is being produced from the garden and asked for guidance as to who the food could be given to.

The Committee recommended Dinner Bell, Hope House, Meals on Wheels, Wolfeboro Children's Center and selling the produce at the Farmer's Market (profits to pay for seeds for the next year). Also recommended was contacting the high school regarding meals offered at the Skylight Dining room.

Lenore Clark stated she attended the Library's stakeholder meeting regarding its landscaping project; noting the presenter spoke to the invasive species that were found on site. She stated she discussed the Commission's efforts related to invasive species with the presenter and provided Lee Gilman's contact information. She stated the Library is holding a design charrette on 9/21/21 at 11am at the Library.

*Warren Muir entered the meeting at 6:51 pm.*

**b. Goodwins Basin; Tree Removal**

Lenore Clark stated she spoke to the Town Manager following the Commission's September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding financial responsibility for the removal of the tree on Goodwins Basin; noting Mr. Pineo stated the Tree Warden could go to the site and provide an opinion regarding the condition of the tree. She stated Mr. Pineo stated the Town could split the cost of the removal with the Commission 50/50. She stated she continues to question the Commission's legal obligation.

The Commission agreed to contact NH Municipal Association to seek an opinion. The Commission discussed the current health of the tree; noting the tree is healthy however, crown heavy.

Lenore Clark stated the ground is not saturated around the tree. She stated she would continue to retrieve cost estimates and opinions regarding alternatives that could taken such as pruning the limbs. She stated she reviewed the conservation easements for both the Goodwins Basin parcels (former Blue Moon property and former Evans property); noting the easements are clear with regard to maintaining the viewshed of the property. She stated Brian Gifford spoke to Aaron Stirt to resume shoreline trimming of the property (Mr. Stirt ceased trimming the shrubs after the Commission received a complaint regarding such).

**c. Bill Rae Conservation Area; Boundary Marking**

Lenore Clark stated a second day of boundary marking will be scheduled for January 2022.

Dan Coons recommended moving the sign that is located on the North Line Road entrance closer to the road.

**d. Whiteface Mountain Signage**

Lenore Clark requested assistance with hanging the sign at the property; noting Jim Nupp offered to put up the sign.

Dan Coons volunteered to assist Jim Nupp.

**e. Conservation Easement for Meissner Properties**

The Commission discussed placing a conservation easement on the properties and recommended drafting an easement for submittal to Lakes Region Conservation Easement.

**f. Conservation Property Boundary Marking and Monitoring**

Staff noted the Commission previously scheduled to mark the boundaries of the Tutt (Town Forest) and Town House properties in September.

Lenore Clark stated she would contact the Commission via email regarding the scheduling of such.

**g. Tree Farm Inspection**

Lenore Clark stated she received a notice that the Town's tree farms are required to be inspected; noting she emailed Dan Stepanauskas regarding such however, hasn't received a response.

Lee Ann Hendrickson volunteered to follow-up on the matter.

**h. Wolfeboro Waters**

Warren Muir stated the watershed management plan for Moultonborough Bay and a portion of Winter Harbor was completed and now a watershed management plan for the remainder of Wolfeboro on Lake Winnepesaukee is proposed; noting Lake Winnepesaukee would take the lead on such. He stated that Wolfeboro Waters would provide a steering committee to Lake Winnepesaukee Association if a grant is secured for the plan and noted Lake Winnepesaukee Association would oversee the project. He stated there was a cyanobacteria bloom in Mirror Lake this past summer that last a couple of weeks and a warning that covered Lake Wentworth and Lake Winnepesaukee. He stated the 2020 Assessment Report was issued on the agenda of the next BOS meeting.

**III. Other Business**

**Lee Gilman & Associates Invoice**

Lenore Clark stated Lee Gilman submitted an invoice for the work completed at the Towns Garden property and the Front Bay Conservation Area. She stated he will be returning in 2022 to complete follow-up treatment at Front Bay Park.

The Commission discussed cleaning up the dead limbs from the treatment and agreed to further discuss in the spring.

**IV. Dredge & Fill Applications**

None.

**V. Public Comment**

None.

**It was moved by Dan Coons and seconded by Nancy Byrd to adjourn the September 13, 2021 Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.**

*There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.*

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lee Ann Hendrickson*

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