

**TOWN OF WOLFEBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
July 12, 2021
APPROVED MINUTES**

Chairman Clark opened the meeting at the Wolfeboro Public Library at 6:37 pm.

Members Present: Lenore Clark, Chair, Dave Senecal, BOS Representative, Warren Muir, Nancy Byrd, Brian Gifford, Members, Jim Nupp, Sarah Silk, Alternates.

Member Absent: Dan Coons, Vice-Chair, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy, Members, Bob Gilbert, Alternate.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Hendrickson, Administrative Secretary.

Chairman Clark appointed Sarah Silk, Alternate, to sit in for Dan Coons, Member.

Chairman Clark appointed Jim Nupp, Alternate, to sit in for Ed Roundy, Member.

I. Approval of Minutes

June 14, 2021

Correction: Page 3, 3rd paragraph, 3rd line; add "farm" after "tree"

It was moved by Brian Gifford and seconded by Jim Nupp to approve the May 4 2021 Conservation Commission minutes as amended. Lenore Clark, Brian Gifford, Jim Nupp, Warren Muir voted in favor. Nancy Byrd, Sarah Silk abstained. The motion passed (4-0-2).

II. Discussion Items

a. Bill Rae Conservation Area; Chain Fencing & Boats

Lenore Clark stated Jeff Marchand fixed the chain at the entrance to the Bill Rae Conservation Area. She noted the pond is flooded. She stated the aluminum boat is gone however, a canoe is adrift several feet offshore due to the recent rainfall.

b. Front Bay Conservation Area; Canoe Removal

Lenore Clark stated Bob Gilbert will be moving the canoe from the property to GALA.

c. Whiteface Mountain Signage

Lenore Clark stated she has received costs for the sign at Whiteface Mountain from JC Signs and the NH State Prison; noting JC Signs is more expensive however, the cost includes the brackets and installation. She stated she is waiting for a quote from the prison for the brackets.

Sarah Silk questioned whether the Department of Public Works could install the sign.

d. Willey Brook Trail Expansion

Lenore Clark stated Andrew Lester has identified area that would work for a youth skills park and noted an anonymous donor is willing to pay for the cost to construct such. She asked if the Commission is supportive of such.

Nancy Byrd questioned the environmental impact.

Jim Nupp stated that if the skills park is similar to a pump park that the area would be relatively small in size. He stated the purpose of the park is to help kids feel more comfortable with riding; noting small rollers and shapes are built into the tread surface.

Lee Ann Hendrickson requested a formal proposal be submitted by Mr. Lester with the total cost of the project included. She stated a public hearing would be required to accept the gift; noting the BOS would hold the public hearing.

Consensus of the Conservation Commission to move forward with the project however, with the submittal of a formal proposal.

e. Stormwater Management Regulations

Warren Muir stated Wolfeboro Waters would like a sense from the Commission regarding the draft comments he and Dan Coons previously provided the Commission.

Jim Nupp stated he agrees with the direction of the comments. He stated the rules are in place however, enforcement remains an issue.

Sarah Silk agreed with the comments and Mr. Nupp. She stated there isn't any way of monitoring the ongoing maintenance of pervious pavement.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Jim Nupp to adopt the Conservation Commission Comments on the Stormwater Management Regulations as written. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

f. Property Monitoring and Boundary Marking

Lenore Clark stated she, Dan Coons and Kurt Baumberg (neighboring property owner who volunteered to walk the property with Lenore and Dan) are scheduled to mark the boundaries at the Avery easement on 7/24/21. She stated boundary marking the Bill Rae Conservation Area is scheduled for August, date to be determined.

g. Goodwin's Basin

Lenore Clark stated Aaron Stirt was agreeable to the change in the terms of agreement for the mowing of Goodwin's Basin; noting the he agreed to mowing the property three times per year at \$300 each.

h. Wolfeboro Waters

Warren Muir stated he received information from a former Conservation Commission member that there was an oil spill on Rust Pond. He stated the Fire Department confirmed that it was a cyanobacteria bloom however, Keith Simpson concluded that it was not a bloom but rather, runoff from recent stormwater. He stated a list of equipment and supplies for the thermocycler was submitted. He stated the Committee received an anonymous gift for additional lab equipment expenses. He stated the draft Assessment Report is being reviewed by NHDES, NH Lakes Association and other organizations and will be presented to the BOS in September. He noted the volunteer shoreline observer survey has been posted on the Wolfeboro Waters website; noting such is available at the Farmer's Market and an article has been posted in the Granite State News.

III. Other Business

Meeting Location

Lee Ann Hendrickson informed the Commission that the Library Trustees met today and increased the number of people to be in the meeting room to 50 and is allowing meetings to occur after hours. She

stated the Library meeting room is now available to the Commission if they choose to hold their meetings there.

It was moved by Brian Gifford and seconded by Warren Muir to change the meeting location of the Conservation Commission meetings to the Wolfeboro Public Library. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Household Hazardous Waste

Sarah Silk stated she is working with NHDES and the Loon Preservation Committee to collect lead; noting a five gallon bucket will be available at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection days. She stated the lead cannot be sent out to the waste haulers rather, the lead will be recycled with a State licensed recycler. She stated she is working on increasing outreach for safe sharps disposal.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Sarah Silk to adjourn the July 12, 2021 Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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