## Milford Conservation Commission Meeting Agenda May 9, 2019 7:00pm BOS meeting room

Members
Andy Hughes, Chair
Kim Rimalover, VChair

Anita Stevens Audrey Fraizer

David Bosquet Hub Seward

Chris Costantino(Alt)

Excused: Janet Urquhart, Rodney Dellafelice(Alt)

Town Representatives

Laura Dudziak, BOS representative

Lincoln Daley, Community Dev Director

<u>Guests</u>

Krista Vincent and Andrew Gardent

Andrea Cooper

Angel and Jairo Guijarro Angel Piedra – Interpreter

Tom Carr – Meridian Land Services

Bob Moulton Sandra Frades

John Yule – prospective new MCC member

## Appointment:

7:00 Andrew Gardent and Krista Vincent – Map3 Lot11 ROW existing wetland crossing for a driveway. Andrew Gardent presented his plan to construct a driveway across M3L11 to his lot, M3L10, which is landlocked. The driveway easement plan shows that there is an existing wetland crossing consisting of 3 x 6" x 20' pipes. This is adequate for his 15' wide driveway. He will have a driveway and stormwater plan developed by an engineer which will ensure that the re-grading work will not impact the buffer of the brook that runs on the west side of M3L11. The landowners of M3L11 were present for the discussion. The members approve Andrew Gardent's use of the existing wetland crossing.

7:30 Andrea Cooper – Andrea Cooper is the landowner of M27L28. There is a brook which runs on the south side of her property which is being impacted by the activities of an abutter. She would like to install a wire mesh fence in the buffer of this brook. The total impact will be about 38sq.ft. She intends to replace the native species which were removed by the abutter with the red maple, willow and white pine that were present prior to the encroachment. The members unanimously approved a motion made by David and seconded by Audrey to approve Ms. Cooper's plan to protect the brook with a fence.

7:45 Angel Guijarro – Buffer impact and bridge project. Mr. Guijarro is the landowner of M27L28-4. A brook runs through his property which floods because of a culvert which is either too small or is blocked on an abutting property (M26L25-1). Mr. Guijarro's solution was to bring in several loads of fill to raise the bank of the brook. Complaints by neighbors of this activity brought Lincoln Daley and Chris Costantino to investigate. The result of the site visit was that Mr. Guijarro would 1) cover the unstabilized fill with plastic sheeting, 2) contract with a wetland scientist to find a solution to the buffer impact and the underlying flooding issue, and 3) attend the May 9 MCC meeting to discuss the impact and resolution. Tom Carr from Meridian Land Services presented his observations and recommendations to mitigate the buffer impact. Angel Piedra, a Spanish teacher at Milford High School, offered and was present to act as an interpreter for Mr. Guijarro. After discussion and explanation, Meridian Land Services will provide a restoration plan at the June 13 MCC meeting. The MCC will write and send a letter to the abutter on M26L25-1 concerning the undersized culvert on his property.

8:00 Bob Moulton – M52 L4-1 land transfer. Sandra Frades and Bob Moulton, two of the landowners from the Melendy Country Landowners (MCL) met to discuss the transfer of M52L4-1 to the town. The MCL donated 38+ acres (M52L4) to the town in October 2019. Once this property was transferred, the landowners lost their Current Use tax status and are now responsible for payment of the Land Use Change Tax (LUCT) of \$13,500. The Board of Selectmen was not willing to waive the LUCT in exchange for the 2.5 acre M52L4-1 parcel. The MCC members unanimously approved a motion by Audrey, seconded by Chris, to purchase M52L4-1 for \$13,000.

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|    | Item   | Discussion   | Who Will Do What  |
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| 1. | Meeting Minutes approval                       | <ul><li>a. January Work session unanimously approved on a motion by Audrey and seconded by Kim</li><li>b. April Meeting minutes approved on a motion by Anita, seconded by Audrey. Andy abstained.</li></ul>   |   |
| 2. | Osgood Pond Adams Field<br>TAP grant           | Lincoln Daley presented his proposal for a 2020 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant application. He is seeking funding to construct a sidewalk which continues the existing sidewalk on West Street to the Adams Field and then to the Armory Rd parking for the Granite Town Rail Trail. The members are supportive of this project.  |   |
| 3. | NEFF CE for Mile Slip and<br>Hitchiner TFs     | The members unanimously approved a motion by Audrey, seconded by Kim, to pay \$18,038 to New England Forestry Foundation Stewardship Fund to hold the conservation easement for the Mile Slip and Hitchiner Town Forests and to cover the cost for the baseline documentation. The money will be drawn from the Conservation Land Fund. This expense will be offset by \$7,500 from the State Conservation Committee Mooseplate Grant awarded in 2017.   |   |
| 4. | 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday hike                  | <ul> <li>a. May 4 birding hike at SRT East – Andy reported that this was a successful hike. There were several hikers, one of whom (Richard DeMidio) posted a bird checklist of 14 species sighted.</li> <li>b. June 22 hike at Mile Slip to commemorate the conservation easement from Mooseplate Grant. Steve Erdody will lead the hike.</li> </ul>  | b. Andy and Chris to coordinate the plans for the Open House event          |
| 5. | Upcoming events                                | NEFF Picnic Saturday, June 1, 2019  11:30 a.m3 p.m. Prouty Woods   32 Foster Street   Littleton, MA  |   |
| 6. | Natural Resource Inventory<br>(NRI) Discussion | Anita and Chris have read the Lebanon and Meredith NRIs which were produced by Rick Van de Poll, who is proposing to do an NRI for the MCC. Anita spoke with Lebanon and Meredith CC representatives to talk about their NRI process. MCC discussion to continue at a work session on May 23 at 6:00 in the OCD conference area.   | Anita will write a summary of her discussion with Lebanon and Meredith CCs. |
| 7. | Reports  | <ul> <li>a. Sustainability Fair – no one attended this event</li> <li>b. BOSCE (Brox Open Space Conservation Easement). Audrey continues to search for an organization to hold the conservation easement. Her current discussion continues to be with Amherst Land Trust. ALT is going to want a physical barrier along the CE perimeter. She will also contact the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. NEFF declined to hold the CE.</li> <li>c. Forest Management Plans updating project – Tucker Brook. Tabled until the June 13 meeting</li> <li>d. Armory Rd /Rail Trail crossing – no work done</li> <li>e. Melendy Rd tunnel grant. Anita continues to work on assembling information from abutting properties to the rail trails. There is hope that there is sufficient Monumentation of the abutting properties that we can generate a boundary map for the rail trail.</li> <li>f. Eversource cutting on Line 316 – Whitten Rd along Tucker Brook TF power line.</li> <li>g. Bluebird boxes were installed at Hitchiner TF by Pack 4 Cub Scouts. Bluebirds were observed perched on top of two of the new boxes.</li> </ul> | g. Chris to write thankyou note<br>and post sign at field gates             |

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The order and matters of this meeting are subject to change without further notice.

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|                              | h. Open subdivisions  |   |
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|                              | Falcon Ridge – Monumentation of lots  Autumn Oaks – easement is still outstanding. The members would like to get this resolved.  Spaulding – Monumentation and easement of open space   | Chris to talk to Lincoln.   |
| 8. Interdepartmental review  | Lincoln presented 4 IDRs.  Family Dental – M19 L13&14 official site plan review dated April 29, 2019. Anita is content with the species selection and location. There appears to be adequate snow storage capacity on site. The members are very pleased with the rain garden stormwater management solution. No comments to the PB  Mont Vernon Street – M8L73 &1&2: 1) M8L73-2 doesn't appear to be large enough to properly position a well and septic system and house; 2) there will be a buffer impact with the location of the proposed access easement crossing M8L73; 3) there are no stormwater management structures present on the plan dated April 26, 2019, although one appears on the existing conditions (Sheet 2 of 2)  Perry Rd Self Storage Units – M7L20: 1) What is the impact to the buffer during construction? 2) Will there be access from the brook-side of the storage units? If so, there may be a buffer impact. Site Plan revised April 16, 2019.  Tonella Rd Lot line adjustment – M43L24&30. Ensure there is a deed restriction that indicates the "No disturb buffer easement for the benefit of M43L24 as depicted on the site plan dated April 30, 2019 | Chris to write memoranda to<br>Planning Board with MCC's<br>review comments for each<br>development |
| Camera solution to vandalism | tabled  |   |
| 10. Election of Officers     | Unanimous approval of a motion by Chris, seconded by Kim, that Andy continues as Chair of the MCC. Unanimous approval of a motion by Chris, seconded by Andy, that Kim continues as vice chair of the MCC   |   |
| 11. M40L41                   | Buffer and potential wetland impacts to review. A site visit is planned for May 16 pending approval by the landowner. Chris will send a calendar invite to the members  |   |

Next Regular Meeting – June 13, 2019 @ 7PM, Selectmen's Meeting Room.

2019 Meeting Dates: Feb14. Mar 14. Apr 11. May 9. June 13. Jul 11. Aug 8. Sept 12. Oct 10. Nov 14. Dec 12