

Milford Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes November 12, 2020 7:05pm Zoom Meeting Room

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The meeting will be live streaming on Granite Town Media, Government Channel 21: <http://gtm.milford.nh.gov/CablecastPublicSite/watch/2?channel=2>.

Members

Andy Hughes, Chair
John Yule, VChair
Anita Stevens
Kim Rimalover,

Excused: David Bosquet, Audrey Fraizer

Town Representatives

Rodney Dellafelice (Alt)
Chris Costantino (Alt)

Guests

Laura Putnam, prospective new member

Appointment: 7:00 Spencer Tate. Map56 Lot52-2. Spencer Tate of Meridian Land Services presented a plan for a driveway crossing with 650' of wetland buffer impact. The location was chosen based on the topography and soil conditions. The members had recommendations: 1) regrade the driveway to keep runoff from Federal Hill Rd; 2) the driveway runoff should be treated in a swale before impacting the adjacent wetlands; and 3) the applicant should consider using geogrid reinforcement and grass surfacing in the wetland buffer to maintain the buffer functionality. S.Tate will talk with the design engineer, the applicant and Milford DPW for answers to these recommendations. His update to the MCC will be incorporated in the Commission's memo to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, which hears the case on December 5.

Item	Discussion	Who Will Do What
1. Meeting Minutes approval	The members who attended the October meeting unanimously approved a motion by Anita and seconded by Rodney to accept the October meeting minutes.	
2. 4 th Saturday hike	a. October 24 - Monson Historic Village – Andy led a nice hike at Monson Village with Chris and two other frequent 4 th Saturday hikers. b. November 28 – Andy will lead the hike at the Rail Trail starting at the Palmer Reserve parking on Rt 13 in Brookline.	
4. Warrant articles for 2021	The members approved the edited draft warrant article which will ask the town to create the Granite Town Rail Trail Revolving Fund. The members are uncertain who is the 'treasurer' who can release the monies at the MCC's request	Chris will verify who is the treasurer and forward the Warrant Article to Finance
5. MCC membership discussion	We have recently accepted and regret Janet Urquhart's resignation from the Commission. She will be missed. Hub Seward, another valued 30-year member of the Commission, is tendering his resignation letter. The MCC is looking for new members. Rodney Dellafelice is willing to consider stepping up from Alternate to Full member. John said that Andy Seale will consider returning to the MCC from the Ethics Committee. Laura Putnam, a new resident to Milford, is interested in joining the MCC. She is a nurse working on her Forest Therapist certification. Her attendance at this meeting is the first of the three that we suggest new members attend to ascertain whether the MCC is a good fit.	John to contact Andy Seale
6. CMAQ sidewalk	The CMAQ sidewalk projects were awarded to the Town of Milford in 2019. The petition warrant articles requesting the 20%	Chris to obtain any

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projects	match to the 80% from the State DoT were rejected at the 2020 town election. The State extended the deadline for these projects, so they will be presented again for a vote at the 2021 town election. Lincoln Daley, Community Development Director, will be working on outreach materials to advocate for these projects. The project to construct a sidewalk from the corner of West and Osgood Streets to Adams Field and then to the Rail Trail parking on Armory Road is critical to continued buildout of the MCC's long range Front Doors to Outdoors Project, which intends to connect every neighborhood to an outdoor recreation opportunity. The second project will continue the sidewalk along Nashua Street to connect the dense East Milford neighborhoods with local shopping and medical services at the east end of Town.	outreach materials to assist the MCC's advocacy of these two projects
7. Reports	BOSCE (Brox Open Space Conservation Easement). The Alteration of Terrain permit application has been accepted and is being reviewed. This puts the Conservation Easement back on the table. Andy will schedule a work session based on Audrey's availability.	Audrey to pick a date for a work session to bring the MCC up to date on the BOSCE
	Melendy purchase – ML 52-4-1. We are awaiting action from Tom Quinn to set a date for the closing.	Chris will nudge Tom again
	Forest Management Plans updating project – Tucker Brook.	
	Armory Rd /Rail Trail crossing – on hold until completion of the Melendy Crossing is completed	
	Melendy Rd tunnel project. Culvert casting begun on November 2 and expected to be finished November 17. Installation of the culvert is scheduled for November 23	
	Open subdivisions – place holders to check for changes Falcon Ridge – Monumentation of lots. Some of the lots have been monumented Spaulding – Monumentation and easement of the open space Curtis Commons - Monumentation and easement of the wetlands on each property	Chris to find and purchase wetland signs
	Brookstone Conservation Easement. Lincoln is nearing the completion of the draft CE for MCC review	Chris to nudge Lincoln
8. Interdepartmental Review	Both IDRs are in Google Drive https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/12vBBxRoi6VfBEoChbUld6RhjKU0KEAux M051 Lot026-146 &147 LLA (Lot Line Adjustment). No comment	Chris to write memo to Planning Staff

Meeting adjourned at 8:47PM

Next Regular Meeting – December 10, 2020 @ 7PM.

The venue will be virtual i.e. a Zoom Meeting. If the town's COVID-related requirement for remote meetings is lifted beforehand, the venue will be the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

2020 Meeting Dates: Feb14. Mar 14. Apr 11. May 9. June 11, Jul 9. Aug 13. Sept 10. Oct 8. Nov 12. Dec 10

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