

**Milford Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes May 10, 2018 7:00pm BOS meeting room**

**Present: MEMBERS:** Andy Hughes, Chair; Kim Rimalover, VChair; Anita Stevens, David Bosquet, Hub Seward, Audrey Fraizer. Janet Urquhart excused.

Alternates: Rodney Dellafelice, Chris Costantino.

BOS Representative – Laura Dudziak

**Appointments – none**

Item	Discussion	Who Will Do What
1. April 2018 Meeting Minutes approval	The members unanimously approved the April 2018 meeting minutes with the amendment to remove Laura Dudziak as an attendee, on a motion by Kim and seconded by Rodney.	Chris to make the correction and post on the website
2. Chair for the June meeting	Kim will chair the June meeting	
3. Conservation Chapter for the Master Plan	Audrey has some suggested edits to the Conservation Chapter for the Master Plan. Rather than manage the edits at the meeting, Andy, Audrey and Chris will meet to make the final edits, then circulate the resulting document to the other members in good time for them to review them ahead of the June 14 meeting. The goal is finalize and sign off the Chapter at that meeting, so it can be sent to Planning for inclusion in the Master Plan.	Andy to contact Audrey to arrange a meeting to incorporate final edits
4. Upcoming events	a. 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat Hike a. May 12 Community Health Fair – Audrey and Chris will host the booth b. May 14 at 5:45 with BOS to present the Mobility Device Policy. c. June 7 – ROST, Milford TH, 7pm. with WAP maps and UNH Cooperative Ext Service. d. June 23 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday hike will be at the Rail Trail, South-to-North	a. Audrey and Chris to host the booth b. Kim, David, Andy and Chris will attend c. Audrey will coordinate with UNH Cooperative Ext. Chris will send email to ROST members to save the date d. Audrey can lead the 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat hike
5. Reports	a. 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat Hike – May 5 (Andy at SRT East bird watching) b. April 14 - Sustainability Fair – Anita and Audrey thought it was a good event for us to participate. We should check the Amherst warrant articles for their requests for funding of various projects c. Easements for Mile Slip and Hitchiner TFs – moving forward. Chris walked them with New England Forestry Foundation's Andrew Bentley gathering data for final baseline documentation d. Melendy Country easement – moving forward e. ARM grant – waiting to hear from the Site Selection Committee f. Forest Management Plan spreadsheet - David has nearly completed the summary spreadsheet. g. Open subdivisions – keeping these projects on our 'radar'	c. Chris to determine if grant agencies need to see Deeds. And to check for deed recording process  f. David hopes to email the completed spreadsheet this weekend to the members  g. Chris to send MCC comments regarding the

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Falcon Ridge – Monumentation of lots</li> <li>ii. Autumn Oaks - easement</li> <li>iii. Spaulding – Monumentation and easement of open space. The members reviewed a draft of the easements</li> </ul>	Spaulding open space easement to the PB for their consideration. Chris to send a reminder to the MCC to have their comments to the office by May 17.
6. Interdepartmental review	Hitchiner Expansion. Comments: Suggest Fitness Trail to incorporate stormwater treatment, and solar panels on the large roof. Audrey suggested that this should be an LEED-certified building (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)	Chris to draft the PB IDR memo
7. Approval of nonpublic meeting minutes	Nonpublic meeting minutes under NH RSA 91-A:3.II.d for land. The members unanimously approved a motion by Audrey, seconded by Kim, to go into non-public session to approve the minutes from the non-public meeting held on April 12, 2018. The minutes were approved on a motion by Audrey, seconded by Kim. The members unanimously approved the sealing of the minutes with a motion by Audrey and seconded by Kim. The members unanimously exited the nonpublic with a motion by Kim and seconded by David.	
8. Wetland plant list	Anita, at Fred Elkind's (Environmental Programs Coordinator) request, submitted to him a list of wetland plants for designers and contractors to use	Anita would like Chris to make the list look more professional
9. ACLU FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request	A hiker was bothered by the presence of a Christian cross located in a meditation grove located in Rotch TF. This grove was created by the previous landowner, the Milford Episcopal Church, and came to the town via the land gift. It is believed that the ashes of members of the Rotch family are scattered here. The hiker's letter of complaint, copied to the ACLU, was received by the town in January. The related ACLU FOIA request was received by the town in May. The requested documentation was assembled by Chris and delivered to Mark Bender, Town Administrator, who is managing this request. An e-mail response, with the documentation, was sent by him to the ACLU. It included a statement that the town has no intention to maintain or replace this historic monument	
10. Proposed dog park	A group of Town Citizens working to establish a Dog Park in Milford have proposed a location on Town -owned land within the area of the industrial part of the Brox property. No formal plan has been submitted to the MCC for discussion and comment. Some of the members suggested that Brox is not an ideal location due to impacts to the wildlife, proximity to the wetlands of Tucker Brook, which has a 50' buffer, and its remote location. The dog park committee is presenting their request to the BOS on May 14.	
11. Beaver flow devices	Skip Lisle (Beaver Deceivers International, Grafton VT), who has installed seven Beaver Deceivers in Milford, called Chris at short notice to tell her he going to be	Chris to follow up with Skip about his work

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	<p>in Milford. He sent an email to the office proposing to inspect, clean if needed, and present a verbal report of his activity to the commission. Cost would be \$200. Due to the timing of his email and our Thursday meeting, Chris sent emails to the members looking for acceptance of Skip's proposal. The members responded in the affirmative, which Chris relayed to Skip. The members unanimously approved the motion by Audrey, seconded by David to accept the quotation.</p>	
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**Next Regular Meeting – June 14, 2018 @ 7PM, Selectmen's Meeting Room.**

**2018 Meeting Dates: Feb 8. Mar 8. Apr 12. May 10. June 14. Jul 12. Aug 9. Sept 13. Oct 11. Nov 8. Dec 13**