

**Milford Conservation Commission May 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes 7:00pm Milford BOS Meeting Room**

To Join Zoom Meeting : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83619918189?pwd=bXIERisyVjITZkdsUEU5Y29WL3NIQT09>

APPOINTMENTS : None

PRESENT: Members

Andy Hughes, Vice (Acting) Chair

Anita Stevens

Marie Nickerson

Rodney Dellafelice (phone)

Excused: John Yule, Kim Rimalover, Andy Seale

Town Representatives

Laura Dudziak, BOS rep - excused

Guests

Item	Discussion	Who Will Do What
1. Meeting Minutes approval	The April 2022 meeting minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Rod and seconded by Anita.	
2. 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday hike	April 23 – AndyH and Chris at Brox. Walked with two hikers for an out and back through the pit because of Emergency Responder training around the school. Some early birds were spotted May 21 – Souhegan River Trail East to be led by Rich Demidio, an experienced birder. Starting at 8:30 at the MCAA fields	
3. Reports	BOSCE (Brox Open Space Conservation Easement)	
	Town Forests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tucker Brook Timber Harvest post-harvest tour will be done in September for our 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday hike.</li><li>• Mile Slip early successional habitat restoration around the parking area. One of our trail stewards has a tractor with a heavy duty mower. He mowed the area removing small shrubs and trees that are overtaking the field. Chris contacted Eric Radloff, Certified Forester, who manages this forest. We would like to have him evaluate the work done and recommend any further actions to keep this early successional habitat functioning as intended per the Mile Slip TF management plan.</li></ul>	Chris to confirm September 24 <sup>th</sup> date with Dan Reed.  Eric Radloff, CF, to respond to the work we have done so far
	Elm Trees on Elm Street. There are unanticipated hurdles. The superfund cap will limit the viable planting locations. We need to find a ready source of water to eliminate having to transport gallons of water to each tree on a regular (often) schedule. There appears to be a stub in the cemetery which hopefully will get water closer to the location. Anita has contacted the EPA, who has oversight on this superfund site. She hasn't heard back from them. Bill Widmer, the donor, is concerned about our lack of progress.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anita will continue to contact EPA</li><li>• Chris will find out about water at the cemetery and whether or not we can use it</li><li>• Chris will check with Lincoln about any progress he has made in contacting EPA</li></ul>
	Wetland Overlay District update – Put this on the Outlook calendar for March 2023. We have other projects to address at the request of other land use boards	
	Armory Rd /Rail Trail crossing – nothing new to report	

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	Invasives Species Management Plan	Chris will check with Chris Gentry to learn of any traffic on the Invasives Species page of our website
	Joint Land Use Committee – review of the updated Stormwater Ordinance	
	Open subdivisions – place holders to check for changes Falcon Ridge – Monumentation of lots. Spaulding – Monumentation and easement of the open space No changes in status for either since last mtg	
	Brookstone Conservation Easement. The ZBA has approved the variance required to allow the formation of a lot that doesn't meet density requirements. The members reviewed a draft letter of recommendation to the BOS to accept the land donation from Brookstone Manor LLC. The members want to ensure that it is very clear that the MCC will not take on the management of this parcel.	Chris will rewrite the draft letter to include the comments from the members.
	Stormwater Ordinance review	
4. Work session	Work session scheduled for June 21, 2022	
5. Interdepartmental Review.	Map15Lot15 Amherst Label 15 Westchester Drive – Planning Board review and our design suggestions Map 48 Lot10 – Chappell Self-storage project	
6. Adjournment	8:45	

**Next Regular Meeting – June 9, 2022 @ 7PM. NOTE: This will be an in-person in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. Virtual (remote) access will still be available via Zoom. Access details will be included on that meeting's posted Agenda**

**2022 Meeting Dates: Jan 13. Feb 10. Mar 10. Apr 14. May 12. June 9, Jul 14. Aug 11. Sept 8. Oct 13. Nov 10. Dec 8**