

Milford Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes October 12, 2017 7:00pm BOS meeting room

Present: MEMBERS: Andy Hughes, Chair; Kim Rimalover, VChair; David Bosquet, Hub Seward. Janet Urquhart and Audrey Fraizer, excused. Alternates: Chris Costantino. Rodney Dellafelice excused.

Appointments – none

Item	Discussion	Who Will Do What
1. September Meeting Minutes approval	The September meeting minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Kim seconded by David.	
2. New Member	Anita Stevens attended her second meeting.	
3. Heron Pond beaver dam beaver flow device	<p>David, Kim, Anita, Andy and Chris attended a site visit to the culvert under the Heron Pond road on September 21. Audrey had visited the site on her own earlier in the week. The discussion raised some questions which needed to be answered by DPW staff. Chris set up an appointment with Andy and Rick Riendeau of DPW. Andy couldn't attend at the last minute and requested that Chris and Rick proceed with the site visit. Chris and Rick looked at the culvert and beaver flow device on Heron Pond Road, the low spot on the access road to the north of Heron Pond school and then walked to the beaver dam located at the northeastern extent of the pond. Rick's assessment is that he would not like to have the water level any higher than it is as it already is at the toe of the slope of the road. At this point, the water can infiltrate the embankment of the road weakening the structure. He would like to see the water level lowered at least a foot; and that more is better. He sees no need to drain the pond, but would like to have the level low enough that there is stormwater storage capacity without threatening town infrastructure which would necessitate an emergency breach of the beaver dam. Rick offered to meet with Andy at another time.</p> <p>The members discussed the information that Chris brought from the meeting with Rick. The members unanimously approved a motion by Chris, seconded by David, the installation of a beaver flow device to regulate the water level at Heron Pond. The cost to not exceed \$2500.00</p>	Chris to call Skip Lisle.
4. 4 th Sat Hike	<p>a. Mayflower September 23 – Janet and Kim attended. It was a nice walk with a couple of hikers.</p> <p>b. Mile Slip October 28 – Audrey to lead at Mile Slip TF</p>	
5. Reports	<p>a. Easements for Mile Slip and Hitchiner TF</p> <p>b. September 23 - Zombie Orienteering Rec Fall Festival at Keyes Field. Successful event with about 60 attendees. Lots of screaming and happiness of the participants.</p> <p>c. October 6-8 Pumpkin Festival. Janet, Andy, Audrey and Chris covered shifts. Added</p>	d. the steps may need some amendments to reduce potential for slipping and falling. Members will go take a look.

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	<p>another 30 names to the 4th Saturday email reminder list. Successful event.</p> <p>d. Rail Trail work update. The mowing by Lou Springer is complete. It is a big improvement. James Bell has completed his Eagle Scout project to construct steps at the Melendy Rd/rail trail crossing.</p>	
6. Warrant Articles	The members read the draft 2018 warrant articles for a \$20,000 request for the land fund and to put an easement on Mile Slip TF. The commission is scheduled to present the warrant articles at the November 13 BOS meeting.	Chris to confirm the appointment with the BOS.
7. 2018 Budget	Review and change if necessary	
8. Spaulding Estates	Discussion of new plan design from the September 26 Planning Board hearing	
9. Events	October 20-23 – Ghost Train Rail Trail Race November 4 – NHACC annual conference	
10. Interdepartmental review	ML 30-131 – Livoli on 212 South Street. No comment ML 13-5 - Old Police Station for Southern NH Technology Center a. Trail access (easement?) along the Souhegan River	Chris to write IDR memos to the Planning Board
1. Work session	Schedule – October 19 at 6:00pm to discuss new plan for Spaulding Estates.	

Next Regular Meeting – November 9, 2017 @ 7PM, Selectmen's Meeting Room.

2017 Meeting Dates: Feb9.Mar9.Apr13.May11.Jun8.Jul13.Aug10.Sep14.Oct12.Nov9.Dec14