

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2014

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, Matt Oliveira, Jack Messe, Dixie Blease, David McTigue, Joanne Meshna

PUBLIC: Kleta Dudley (SOLAC representative)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office.

The minutes of the August 13, 2014 meeting were reviewed and the following corrections noted: correct the date and page 2 second to last sentence should read "The Commission will not meet on September 10 as originally scheduled." Jack made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Dixie seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**Lands:** The new sign for the Nussdorfer Nature Area has been erected by the Highway Department. Bob suggested that the sign David made for the Nussdorfer Nature Area be put in the parking area. David will work with Peter Goewey to get it placed.

**Communications:** Dixie reported she had received an e-mail from Brenna who is working on the logo with assistance from a professor, and expects to have it done by the end of the semester. Dixie will distribute it to the members once she receives it from Brenna.

**Water Resources:** Members discussed a procedure for the review of wetlands permits. The policy agreed upon was Joanne will send out an e-mail for days and hours that members can meet to view the site and then vote on the application. Once that is agreed upon, the meeting will be scheduled. Dixie made a motion to accept the policy. Matt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Signs have been ordered for the stream crossing. Peter Goewey will determine the best place to put them.

A planting plan for 63 King Road was submitted but has not yet been done. If at the next meeting it has not been completed, a letter will be sent to Mr. Salo requesting that hay bales and silt fencing be put in place, and a date certain for the planting will be given.

David is working on the stream ordinance amendment and is preparing a fact sheet to be sent out. Members discussed the importance of doing a mailing explaining the amendment as well as supporting the article at deliberation session.

Bob updated members on the Boynton Hill Road lot bridge. The owner has erected "no trespassing" signs. Legal counsel advised Bob that by submitting a State wetlands application the owner gives up the right to keep the Conservation Commission off the property and allows the Commission to monitor the site. The Commission is concerned what will be used on the bridge during winter months that could run off into the stream. Members discussed who had jurisdictional oversight. Bob will discuss with Ed Dekker, Chairman of the Planning Board.

Members discussed the pros and cons of protecting land through the Monadnock Conservancy. Over the years costs have escalated. If there is a violation on the land, the Conservancy has the funds to go to court. Bob noted there should be fewer violations and less cost to monitor town property. He will speak to the Conservancy about charging less for Town property protection.

**New Business:** Bob made a motion to appoint Joanne as an alternate member for a three year term. Jack seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Dixie made a motion to appoint Bob as chairman for the year. Matt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Bob made a motion to appoint David vice chairman for the year. Dixie seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Bob made a motion to appoint Joanne secretary for the year. Dixie seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Meshna, Secretary