

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
September 9, 2020

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, David McTigue, Matt Oliveira and Debbie Deaton, Secretary

ABSENT: Michael Bara, Kleta Dudley, Karen Miller, Jack Messe

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:30 p.m. The Covid-19 Right to Know Checklist is required to be read prior to acceptance into the meeting

New Business:

Bob informed the members he would like to have a work day at the head of the Schoolhouse Trail to Williams Loop. The Board agreed on September 20th at 10am. Debbie will send out an email to all members informing them of the work session. Matt suggested the possibility of using QR Codes at trail kiosks to bring up trail maps. Directional arrows need to be placed.

Debbie mentioned there is now a Broadband Committee for the Town which is looking into the Broadband health of the Town. Hopefully this will lead to better coverage in Town.

Debbie mentioned she had been sworn in as an alternate for the Commission and Bob needs to sign the Oath.

CAI Technologies presentation at Mascenic on September 22nd:

Bob explained the information flow for creating a tax layer. Avitar maintains the textual database. SWRPC maintains the spatial data (which is inaccurate). When those two are merged, they're called a shapefile. After that is done, it's what is used to do drawings & queries to the database. Then you need a viewer, which we use ArcView (GISGlue). We want a company that has continuity over time which is what CAI will give us. Bob has spoken to people at a couple of different towns regarding this and they paid a lot less money, however, these were done 10-15 years ago.

CAI would do all of the research to create the tax parcel layer. They would also host the viewer and database. They would also do the updates for subdivisions, lot line adjustments, conservation lands, etc. Bob said he would send the link to AXISGIS to Debbie and asked her to forward to the commission members.

Bob asked to find out if CAI & the Town parts ways in the future, if we own the data they have provided.

Signs for Dam Site 35:

Bob informed members the signs would be \$22 each and we need 2. The members took a vote to approve spending \$50 for the purchase of the signs from a company in Salem, NH. The vote passed with a unanimous vote.

Monitoring:

Bob mentioned there are approximately 20 parcels with Conservation Easements that need to be monitored yearly. The Commission needs to make an effort and keep track of the monitoring by keeping a log, taking pictures, etc.

Sediment Pond at 84 Wheeler Road:

Bob mentioned an email forwarded by Debbie regarding the residents at 84 Wheeler Road wishing to dredge their sediment pond. Bob said he tried to contact them but the voicemail hadn't been set up yet. The main question is did the pond dry up or did the residents drain it? Bob will try again to reach the residents and inform them they need a wetlands permit.

Minutes:

Matt made a motion to approve the minutes as written. David seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Deaton