



# Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

May 12, 2021, 7:00 PM to 9:25 PM

This meeting was held electronically using the Town of Mason Zoom account under authority of Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #16 temporarily modifying the requirements for public access to meetings under RSA 91:A. The Right-to-Know Law meeting checklist was followed.

Attendance by roll call:

- **Chuck Andersen – present**
- **Barbara DeVore – present**
- **Bob Dillberger – present**
- **Liz Fletcher – present**
- **Bob Laroche – present**
- **Lundy Lewis – present**
- **Ann Moser – present**

Alternates:

- Matt Robinson-Liu – absent
- Rob Doyle – absent
- Charlie Lanni – absent
- Rosanna Nadeau – absent
- **Chris Pratka – present**

Members of the public attending: Garth Fletcher, John Bryan.

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Liz moved we waive reading of the Right To Know Law meeting announcement. Bob L seconded. Barbara: aye, Bob D: aye, Liz: aye, Bob L: aye, Lundy: aye, Ann: aye. The motion passed.

Liz moved we accept the April 2021 minutes. Bob D seconded. Barbara: aye, Bob D: aye, Liz: aye, Bob L: aye, Lundy: aye, Ann: aye. The motion passed.

Received a final check for \$1,213.80 for logging B-17-1. Money to be deposited in the General Fund. Budget category: timber harvest.

Met with Mike Gagnon, UNH CES Forester for Hillsborough County, to discuss how to go about developing forest management plans for some of the town's larger conservation properties. Mike answered a number of questions and gave us some good advice about how to proceed.

Made a plan to black out "by permit only" on Mason Quarry Land sign wording about fires and camping. Bob D. will make a stencil for spray painting. Then others will do the painting on 5/22.

Liz reports the BOS has requested we put up a sign at the Mason Quarry parking lot saying "Parking for Mason residents only" or similar wording. The sign will also need to mention the required permit once that system is in place.

Reviewed Ann's suggested designs for Mason Quarry parking placards, and agreed on one. Ann will run the design by Chief Maxwell before placing an order. Liz moved we authorized Ann to place the order after consulting with Chief Maxwell as to the wording on the placard and the number of tags to order. Lundy seconded. Chuck: aye, Bob D: aye, Barbara: aye, Liz: aye, Bob L: aye, Lundy: aye, Ann: aye. The motion passed.

Discussed a conservation strategy for the Lost Valley land (Albright Trust). From a conversation with Al Futterman, Liz reports it could be helpful to send a letter of interest to the current owner requesting right of first refusal if they ever decide to sell the property. Liz will draft a letter.

Barbara reports PLC is concerned about illegal OHRV use on B-4-2. Barbara found local residents who have the equipment needed to block the access point with logs or boulders.

Barbara reports another successful Drug Take-Back Day. The police collected 69.5 pounds of drugs to be disposed of.

Barbara reminded us that Old Home Day will be taking place this year, and the CC should have a table. Details TBD.

Bob D moved we adjourn. Barbara seconded. Chuck: aya, Bob D: aye, Barbara: aye, Liz: aye, Bob L: aye, Lundy: aye, Ann: aye. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

## Action Items

See relevant minutes for more information about these items.

<i>Added</i>	<i>Done</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Item</i>
<b>Mar 2021</b>		Bob D	Add Jennifer Beck property (G-3) to NRI maps and report.
<b>Apr 2021</b>	Apr 2021	Bob L	Send VAL map to Julie Walsh showing the relevant property line.
	Apr 2021	Ann	Email Brookline CC about e-bike policy.
	Apr 2021	Bob D	Respond to resident asking for advice on clearing brush around beaver pond.
		Bob D	Draft letter of enquiry for forest management plans.
	Apr 2021	Bob L	Compile list of Trails Committee members and volunteer liability waivers for BOS.
		Barbara	Tell Wally about decision to change mowing schedule for Potter field on Old Ashby Rd.
<b>May 2021</b>		Ann	Review quarry parking placard design with Chief Maxwell and order placards.
		Bob L	Take a first look at the new email account.
		Liz	Draft letter to Albright Trust regarding our potential interest in the Lost Valley parcel.