

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

Oct. 13, 2021, 7:00 PM to 10:30 PM

Attendance:

- Chuck Andersen absent
- Barbara DeVore present
- Bob Dillberger present
- Liz Fletcher present
- Bob Larochelle present
- Lundy Lewis present
- Ann Moser present

Alternates:

- Matt Robinson-Liu absent
- Rob Dovle absent
- Charlie Lanni absent
- Rosanna Nadeau absent
- Chris Pratka absent

Barbara moved we accept the September minutes. Liz seconded. Passed unanimously.

Received a check for \$1,350.00 from Dennis Graham as rent for 135 Old Ashby Rd. Money to be deposited in the Old Ashby Road fund.

Re. name for Jennifer Beck parcel gift: Jen would like the sign to read "Mason Brook Lot in Memory of Ted and Jen Beck". Bob D. Will work with Chris Leask to create the sign.

Bob L. reports the stakes marking the new maple tree locations on Greenville Rd. cannot be found and will need to be relocated.

Re. 2022 budget, agreed to request \$2,000 as usual, structured like the 2020 budget.

Re. parking signs for Mason Quarry Lot, we recommend the BOS order at least three signs. Signs are often removed by vandals at this location.

Re. Scripps Ln. bridge flooding and repair, Liz got recommendations for beaver control professionals from Chris Costantino (Milford CC). Liz will contact three providers to solicit bids for a beaver deceiver (or whatever solution the pros suggest).

Re. Forest Mgmt. planning, Patrick Kenney will begin working over the winter.

RR Trail washout south of Depot Rd.: We agreed to ask the owners of the upstream pond if they perhaps released the beaver dam suddenly. It seems odd that the dam would fail twice in little more than a year without human involvement.

Reminder: PB hearing on wetlands ordinance is scheduled for 10/27. We should ensure we have copies of our handouts available. Ann will ask if they'd like us to speak on the topic.

Reminder: Anna Faiello bench dedication this Saturday 10/16 at 11 AM.

Liz moved we pay Bob Dillberger \$152.00 as reimbursement for the cost of printing Old Home Day handouts. Bob L. seconded. Passed unanimously. Money to come from the budget fund. Budget item: Educational material.

Bob L. reviewed Trails Committee plans for trail improvements on Bronson Potter South.

Liz reminds us it's time for annual easement monitoring.

Action Items

See relevant minutes for more information about these items.

Added	Done	Who	Item
Mar 2021		Bob D	Add Jennifer Beck property (G-3) to NRI maps and report.
Aug 2021	Sept.	Lundy	Follow up with Brian Kelly about brush cutting at the overlook.
Sep 2021	Sept.	Bob L	Ask Bill Downs about timber tax letter re. B-17-1
	Sept.	Barbara	Check with Jen Beck about proposed parcel name

	Sept.	Liz	Discuss Scripps Ln. beaver problem with BOS and contact Chris Costatino (Milford CC) for suggestions
	Sept.	Bob D.	Find out who did the Squannacook R. Rail Trail surface and get bid.
	Sept.	Liz	Confirm Oct. 16 bench ceremony date with Anna's family.
	Sept.	Bob L	Check on stakes marking tree sites on Greenville Rd.
		Chuck	Check on maple tree stock availability.
		Bob D &	
		Bob L	Arrange conservation land sign installation
		Chuck	Contact Jen about adding attachment capability to Web contact form
		Chuck	Check with Winter Wanderers about tracked ATV use on Rail Trail
		Chuck	Identify state contact person for Nose Meadow sign damage and repair
	Sept.	Bob D	Follow up with Neil Lambert about quarry graffiti removal
Oct 2021		Barbara	Follow up with Neil Lambert about quarry graffiti removal.
		Bob D.	Start work on sign for Jen Beck parcel.
		Liz	Forward emails about training.
		Liz	Contact beaver control experts re. Scripps Ln. bridge
		Bob D.	Make another attempt to contact Shepherd's in Townsend re. RR Trail surfacing.
		Ann	Ask Dane Rota about speaking at the wetlands ordinance hearing on 10/27.
		Bob L.	Investigate further into the missing pop-up.