



# Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

May 10 2023, 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM

## Attendance:

- **Chuck Andersen – absent**
- **Barbara DeVore – present**
- **Liz Fletcher – present**
- **Bob Larochelle – present**
- **Lundy Lewis – present**
- **Ann Moser – present**
- **Chris Prafka – absent**

## Alternates:

- Charlie Lanni – absent
- Michelle Horowitz- present
- Rosanna Nadeau – absent

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**Minutes:** Liz moved we accept the April 12 minutes as amended. Bob seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Visitors:** Dennis Graham visited us to discuss the lease renewal for the A-frame house on 135 Old Ashby Rd., Mason. We discussed the current state of the electrical wiring. We reviewed the current Lease Agreement of July 7 2019. We reviewed Dennis' document Planned Projects and Maintenance of June 3, 2019. As a result of our discussion, we agreed to (i) have the roof inspected, (ii) have the fireplace inspected, (iii) let Dennis install a water filter, (iv) let Dennis put in a sump pump, and (v) let Dennis determine whether a tall pine near the house might hit the house if it fell. We agreed to discuss the rental price further after getting more information from Dennis.

**Bills to pay:** Barbara moved we pay \$2250 to Cutting Edge Forestry, to come from the Conservation Commission General Fund, purpose is land management. Ann seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Finance:** None

**Letters Received:** None

**Action Items Review:** Completed.

**CC email:** Received an email about a wetland permit withdrawal 2022-01776 E-31. To be processed later.

## Discussions:

We discussed priorities for conservation land and possible acquisition strategies.

Michelle updated us on Salamander migrations in the area. Kudos to Michelle for organizing group observations of local Salamander crossings.

The Farmers Market in Mason is on June 17.

We discussed possibilities for a NH Recreational Trails grant. Mason RR trail work is a possibility. There have been washouts recently at several locations on the trail. Trash was dumped around the trail parking area on Depot Road. To be discussed further.