

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

September 13 2023, 7:00 PM to 9:15 PM

Attendance:

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

Alternates:

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

Minutes: Barbara moved we accept the August 9 minutes as amended. Bob seconded. Passed unanimously.

Visitors: Conrod Nelson to observe CC activities. Conrad helped Bob repair the bench at Florence Roberts Forest.

Patrick Kenney to deliver a paper copy of the Forestry Management Plan and discuss implementation. CC will bring this important document to a BoS meeting to show Selectmen..

Bills to pay:

Barbara moved we reimburse \$14.12 to Bob Larochelle for paying Milford Lumber Company for bolt and wire brushes. Bob seconded, passed unanimously. Funds to come from CC budget.

Liz moved we pay \$16.06 to The County Store for bolt and wire brushes. Ann seconded, passed unanimously. Funds to come from CC budget, purpose Land Management.

Liz moved we pay \$55 to Chemserve for quarry water test. Ann seconded, passed unanimously. Funds to come from CC budget, purpose Land Management.

Ann moved we pay \$8,067 to Kelco Construction for the new roof on Dennis house. Liz seconded, passed unanimously. Funds to come from Old Ashby Rd fund, purpose maintenance

Barbara moved we pay \$4,790 to KS LLC General Contracting. Liz seconded, passed unanimously. \$1,500 to come from Forestry Com. Warrant Article, the rest (\$3,290) from CC General fund, purpose Land Management.

Ann moved we pay \$4,500 to Cutting Edge Forestry LLC. Bob seconded, passed unanimously. Funds to come from General Fund.

Action Items Review: Completed.

Finance: none

Letters Received: none

Email: Jake Olsen on student volunteers for Quarry clean-up. Bob will call Jake.

Chuck Andersen about Scripps Lane sediment problems.

Discussions:

We discussed and planned the dedication of the George Schwenk trail on Sept 19.

We discussed the Mason Big Bird Day of Birding in October.

We discussed the sediment problem on Scripps lane. Engineer for town proposes sediment basin on source of sediment's property and clearing out former fire pond.

We discussed the letter to BoS regarding conserving A-13, Liz will send draft to members for review. CC plans to send to BoS soon and ask to be on their agenda.

Mason Library has agreed to have a Conservation Documents section in the library. CC agreed that these materials should be for review only in the library, not for circulation. Liz will prepare a list and deliver the documents.