

Mason Conservation Commission DRAFT Minutes

Sept. 9, 2020, 7:00 PM to 9:03 PM

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

Attendance by roll call:

- Chuck Andersen present
- Barbara DeVore absent
- Bob Dillberger present
- Anna Faeillo present
- Liz Fletcher present
- Bob Larochelle present
- Lundy Lewis present

Alternates:

- Matt Robinson-Liu absent
- Ann Moser absent
- Rob Doyle absent
- Charlie Lanni absent
- Rosanna Nadeau absent
- Chris Pratka absent

Members of the public attending: Garth Fletcher, Randy Haight, Brendan P. Kilcoyne (H-5 owner).

Liz moved we accept August 2020 minutes as amended. Bob L seconded. Anna: aye, Barbara: aye, Bob D: aye, Chuck: aye, Liz: aye, Lundy: aye, Bob L: aye. The motion passed.

Liz moved we pay County Stores \$113.94 for new locks for RR Trail gates, money to come from the RR Trail fund. Chuck: aye, Anna: aye, Bob D: aye, Liz: aye, Bob L: aye, Lundy: aye. The motion passed.

Met with Randy Haight to discuss the H-5 subdivision. Liz, Bob D. and Chuck visited the site last week to inspect on-theground plans related to the wetlands. We sent Randy some follow-up questions, and he responded via email. We're satisfied with the plans in place to protect the wetland and Gould Mill Brook. Liz will write a <u>formal not toa wetlands report as</u> <u>requested by</u> the Planning Board.

Re. RR Trail gate keys, Bob L. tried them all and the current key works. He'll follow up with Chief Greenwood to ensure the Fire Dept. has the correct key.

Bob L. gave an update on logging B-17-1. The landing and approach road have been cleared. However, the site is still very wet despite the drought, so Bill Downs and the logger recommend postponing the job until the ground is frozen.

Bob L. and Bob D. visited the Esau Stanley property and met with Mr. Crystal on the abutting property (H-38). Identifying the boundary line between the two properties is difficult because of very thick vegetation and the missing roadside corner marker. Discrepancies between the field measurements and deed distances are troubling. If Mr. Crystal intends to build a garage along that line, the Commission strongly recommends that he hire a licensed land surveyor to establish the missing corner marker. bound between the two properties is difficult because the roadside corner is missing. Measuring from the two nearby corners leaves a discrepancy that's unaccounted for. It is Mr. Crystal's intent to build a garage along that line, and Bob L. strongly recommends that if Mr. Crystal applies for a building permit that he be responsible for establishing the missing corner marker. Bob L. will write a letter to the BOS describing our concerns.

Discussed possible solutions to the problem of edging along the new culvert/bridge on the Mason Quarry access road. Bob L. will follow up with Amos White.

Discussed long-term solutions to the problem of unauthorized parking at the Mason Quarry parking lot. Everyone likes the idea of a system where residents get a permit to park there with a sticker or placard affixed to their cars.

Bob D. reports that he's contacted The Water Store and told them to proceed with their proposed air radon mitigation system at the Old Ashby Rd. property. Bob will coordinate with the vendor and Dennis to get the work done.

Liz noted we need to clarify the mechanism by which the Forestry Committee will contribute the planned \$1,500/yr. for Rail Trailtrail maintenance. A warrant article might be required. Chuck will follow up with Harry Spears. Re. Fifield easement monitoring, Liz notes the most important thing this year is to ensure the cottage has been removed according to the terms of the easement. Liz will contact Bruce <u>Mann-Ward</u> to enquire about status.

Lundy reports he was contacted by a resident who is interested in taking over the hay lease for the Greenville Rd. overlook. We need to meet with Dave Baker to discuss. Lundy will follow up with Dave.

Lundy also noted that vehicles driving into the field at the overlook continues to be a problem. We will investigate options for preventing this behavior, including blocking access from the road. Bob D will talk to Dave Morrison for advice and guidance.

Bob D. moved we adjourn at 9:03. Liz seconded. Chuck: aye, Anna: aye, Bob D: aye, Liz: aye, Lundy: aye.

Action Items

See relevant minutes for more information about these items.

| Added | Done | Who | Item |
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| June 2020 | | Chuck | Notify snowmobile club about downed trails signs. |
| July 2020 | | Barbara | Contact Chief Maxwell regarding camping and trash at the Greenville Rd. overlook, and about any existing relevant ordinances that cover town-owned land (including conservation land). |
| Aug 2020 | Aug. 2020 Aug. 2020 Aug. 2020 Aug. 2020 | Bob L Bob D Bob D Chuck Liz | Double-check the RR Trail gate locks off Sand Pit Rd. and follow up with Chief Greenwood to ensure he has the right key. Follow up with Chris P. about ordering quarry signs. Distribute link to Right-to-Know webinar recording. Do additional research about air radon mitigation w.r.t. concrete block foundation. Draft checklist of conditions to monitor for Fifield easement. |
| Sept 2020 | | Liz Bob L Bob D. Chuck Liz Lundy Bob D. | Write wetlands report on H-5 for Planning Board-with our thoughts on plans for H-5. Draft a letter to the BOS about concerns related to activity on H-38. Contact Amos White about potential solutions for edging on the quarry access road bridge. Coordinate with The Water Store and Dennis Graham to schedule installation of the air radon system. Bob will also ask Dennis for key to the property. Talk to Harry Spears about Forestry Committee funds for RR Trail maintenance. Talk to Bruce Mann about removing the cottage on the Fifield easement. Talk to Dave Baker about the hay lease and ask him to attend our next meeting. Talk to Dave Morrison about how to prevent folks from driving into the field at the Greenville Rd. overlook. |