



Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

Jan. 12, 2022, 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Attendance:

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

Alternates:

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

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

Liz moved we accept the BestWay Wildlife Control of Sandown maintenance contract for \$400. Barbara seconded. Passed unanimously. Funds to come out of the Conservation General Fund, budget category is Land Management.

Barbara moved we accept the contract and payment schedule totaling \$9000 from Patrick Kenny for the development of a forest management plan for the Bronson Potter Land, the Mitchell Brook Wilderness, and the Mitchell Hill Land. Payment will be made in 4 installments over the next year or so as Patrick submits bills for completing each stage of the contract. Liz seconded. Passed unanimously.

Received a check from Dennis Graham for \$1350 to be deposited in the Old Ashby Road account.

Action Items Review: Postponed until the next meeting.

Visitors: We had three visitors at tonight's meeting: Dane Rota from the Mason Planning Board consulted with us regarding Q&A material for the Wetlands amendments. Mason resident Trish Cross consulted with us regarding the possibility of connecting private trails to the RR trail. Liz will ask NH administrators of the Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) what their policy is regarding private trail connections. LWCF granted funds to enable the RR Trail purchase. Randy Haight consulted with us regarding initial plans for an E-31 subdivision. They are proposing to include a 7.78 acre back lot along the RR Trail to be given for conservation, and also to grant the town ownership of most of the Quarry parking lot easement area.

Conservation Commission Annual Report 2021. We reviewed a draft of the report and made corrections. It is due now.

Town's Conservation Easement Property. We reviewed a letter from the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests indicating that a monitoring visit to the Mason Quarry Conservation Area did not reveal any activities that conflict with the terms of our Conservation Easement.

Action Items

See relevant minutes for more information about these items.

<i>Added</i>	<i>Done</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Item</i>
Mar 2021	Nov	Bob D	Add Jennifer Beck property (G-4) to NRI maps and report.
Sep 2021		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
Oct 2021		Barbara	Follow up with Neil Lambert about quarry graffiti removal.
	Nov	Bob D.	Start work on sign for Jen Beck parcel.
	Nov	Liz	Forward emails about training.
Nov 2021			this month's items done
Dec 2021		Liz	Contact NHDES re Scripps Lane runoff problems
		Ann	write a letter to landowners re donation to town
		Ann	ask Eric Andersen and Amos White to submit bids for RR Trail washout
		Barbara	Contact Jennifer Beck to ask her for her OK on sign wording
		Lundy	Arrange to complete log placement on Greenville Road
Jan 2022		Barbara	Contact Monadnock Ledger about wetlands amendments (cf Dane Rota)
		Liz	Check on rules about connecting private trails to rail trails (cf Trish Cross)