

**TOWN OF OSSIPPEE APPROVED
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

July 14, 2021

Minutes were recorded, and a Summary transcribed by Laura Nash, Commission Secretary. Revisions to these minutes are noted by ***bold/italic*** type.

Call to Order: Marie McConarty called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Roll Call: Marie McConarty – Chair, Ralph Buchanan, Krystal Eldridge and Angela Eldridge

Membership: Angela Eldridge was approved by the Board of Selectmen to 3-year term. The members welcomed her to the committee.

Meeting Minutes: Review to approve June 9, 2021 Minutes

A **Motion** by Buchanan to approve the meeting minutes of June 9, 2021 as submitted. K. Eldridge seconded. No discussion. All others voted in favor. A. Eldridge abstained. **Motion passed.**

Master Plan: Committee member continue to review each section.

- McConarty will review chapter 2 & 4
- Buchanan will review chapter 3,
- Eldridge will review chapter 5

Old Business:

- **Beech River & Annie Nichols Rd Parking:** McConarty spoke with the Tony Eldridge, Public Works Director about the work to be done. TJ Eldridge is to contact the secretary in order to review the plans.

New Business:

- Friends of White Pond - The Conservation Commission reviewed the material supplied by David Bertran and after discussion decided to take no action at this time.
- Heckel Gravel Pit – Matt Sawyer, Jr., stated there is one account titled “Conservation Commission, Fritz Heckel Pit” which had us confused because none of the other gravel/sandpits have the CC on their bank titling, and their escrow funds are controlled by the Planning Board, not the CC. Do you know anything about this account, and is it truly just a gravel pit escrow/bond account? If not, what purpose does it have for the CC?

After some research and discussion with Ralph Buchanan, who explain the only reason he could see why the CC was named the holder is to oversee the potential impact on Frenchman’s Brook. Buchanan noted after all these years of operation, they have never come any closer than 300 ft. of the brook. After discussion.

A **Motion** by Buchanan to authorize the transfer of ownership from the Conservation Commission of the \$29,000+ surety that Ron Evans put up for the reclamation fund to be held by the Planning Board for the Heckel Pit. A. Eldridge seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. **Motion passed.**

Windows on the Ossipee Mountains:

- Plans to record –Retainer payment submitted
- Landscaping project – per discussion with Public Works Director

McConarty spoke with TJ Eldridge, Public Works Director, who is willing to help keep the brush back over the embankment behind the rocks and weed whack around the rocks. Buchanan commented the plan was

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to remove the rocks, landscape the area and adding landscaping fabric to create a barrier from the plants and replace the rocks. Discussion ensued over picking a day to go down, cut and haul brush. McConarty is to contact the members to select a date and Buchanan will bring his excavator to help pull larger saplings.

NHDES Land Resources Management: The CC reviewed and discussed.

- **File #2021-01945:** Stephanie & Shane Drolet of 4 Lower Broad Bay Rd. Tax Map: 034 Lot: 017 for a complaint of relocating a seasonal dock without a permit and installing a dog fence in and on the lakebed.

Intent to Cut: The CC reviewed and discussed. A correction was noted that the logger is Cole Boggs not Frank Varney, as previously entered.

- **Tax Map: 132 Lot: 038:** (Original Cut) on Route 171. Owner is Gerald Gaynor; to cut 1 acres of 6 acres by ***Cole Boggs*** anticipated start date is July 4, 2021. Approved by the Board of Selectmen. Taxes are paid. No Cemeteries.

Informational Newsletters:

Dan Hole Pond Watershed Trust – Newsletter – Summer – 2021

SFPNH – Forest Notes 2021

NH F&G – Wild Lines – Summer 2021

GMCG: The Watershed News – Summer 2021

Nh Town & City – July/August 2021

Next Meeting Date: [August 11, 2021](#)

Any Other Business that May Come Before the Commission: Employee of Year Luncheon: is on July 22, 2021 at 12:00 PM in the Bud Avery Memorial Gymnasium.

Adjournment:

A **Motion** made by K. Eldridge to adjourn the meeting. Buchanan seconded. No discussion. A unanimous vote was taken. **All voted in favor, motion passed.** The meeting ended at 7:36 PM.

Minutes approved by majority vote of the Commission on _____
Date

or

Marie McConarty, Chairperson

Ralph Buchanan, Vice Chairperson
(In the absence of the Chairman)