



Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes March 19, 2018

Attendees: Scott Pim, Liz Wilson, Sandy Goodspeed, Dan McCombs
Absent: John Bennett, Todd Hathaway

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Fox Run – Ryan Sylvain to Present Completed Eagle Scout Project

Ryan Sylvain shared photographs of Fox Run Park improvements that he completed during the 2017-2018 school year, including installing a new sign and kiosk, and clearing weeds. He also plans to install gravel under the kiosk.

Benjamin Bade – Interest in Commission

Benjamin Bade introduced himself to the Commission and expressed interest in becoming a member of the Commission. The Members were unanimously supportive of Ben submitting a letter of interest to the Town.

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The Members unanimously agreed to approve the February 13, 2018 minutes.

Dimond Hill South

Todd coordinated with the Town Manager to solicit an opinion from the Town Counsel about the interpretation of the term “public access” as used in the Dimond Hill Conservation Easement deed specifically, and on other Town properties more generally. As of the March 19, 2018 meeting, an opinion was not yet available. Scott will send a letter, as amended, to the property owners noting that the No Trespassing signs need to be removed.

Mission Statement

Members reviewed the mission statement revised by Todd with comments from others. The Members unanimously agreed to approve the mission statement as amended.

Website

John and Dan will comprise the website subcommittee. Dan will consider layouts that will be more user-friendly, particularly for mobile users.

School Update

The 5th grade field trip to Fox Run Park is scheduled for April 19th. Liz, Dan, and Sandy are going to participate on the field trip. Dani Christopher of SELT is also scheduled to volunteer.



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What Else?

The Members discussed the upcoming photo contest and ways of publicizing it. Liz will develop a flyer for posting in local shops, the library, town hall, and kiosks.

Jerry Langdon strongly recommends adopting the tree farm system.

The parcel behind Market Basket (between the rail trail and the Market Basket parking lot) is not a listed conservation area but was slated to be put into conservation as part of the Brickyard Square approval from NHDES. Apparently, the deed change to put the parcel into conservation was never submitted as required. Scott will look into this issue, but the Commission should add this parcel to the list of properties to be monitored.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Wilson, alternate to the Secretary

Minutes Approved:

Scott Pim, Chair

Date

Todd Hathaway

Date

John Bennett

Date

Dan McCombs

Date

Sandy Goodspeed

Date

Liz Wilson

Date