

**Conservation Commission
Memorial Building**

**June 3rd, 2021
7:33**

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Conservation Commission.

Members present: Marla Bintzel, Dan Saulnier, Ken Jacques, Emily Cleaveland
Member via zoom: Tim Fraser
Selectboard representative via zoom: Tamara Butcher

Minutes: Ken moved to approve the May 6th 2021 minutes with no changes. Dan 2nded.
May 6th 2021 minutes approved unanimously.

Changes to CC bylaws:

- Marla explained that Janet had been the one who asked about changing the date of officers terms, to make the paperwork easier, but she didn't feel strongly about it.
The terms were left as appointed in January.
- The motion to amend the by-laws to state that the Commission meet the 1st Thursday of each month, having been moved and seconded at the previous meeting, was voted on and passed unanimously.
- The motion to move the start time from 7 to 7:30 for the foreseeable future having been moved and seconded at the previous meeting, was voted on and passed unanimously.

Town Lots:

- Tim led us through some possible new trails to add to the Kinsley Lot that made use of existing skidder tracks. Marla pointed out that the green shading which represents the location of Kinsley lot on public digital maps (and is based on information originally obtained from the tax maps) is inaccurate. GPS coordinates from the corners of the lot plotted on the same digital maps illustrate the discrepancies.
- Tim moved to go ahead and make headway on the trails he proposed. Dan seconded, and the go-ahead passed unanimously.
- Marla pointed out that our trail crosses a short span of private property. Before we build new trails, perhaps we should look into possible permission for the existing trails. Marla offered to look into who the owner is, and bring up the issue with the snowmobile club as well.

GRANIT update:

All NH CCs have been asked by the state to update conserved properties on the digital maps maintained by GRANIT. Kinsley lot could use updating as well as the Northeast corner lots. Certified boundary survey files or tax maps may be used for updating.
Marla will submit an update of Kinsley and NE corner lot to GRANIT

NHDOT is updating guard rails on 4A. Some projects may require mitigation due to disturbance of wetlands.

Outreach:

- Marla brought a yellow osier dogwood seedling sample. It seemed a happy, healthy specimen, though it needs more time than giving them out at the townwide Yard Sale this Saturday would allow. Distribution will take place at a later town event.

She reported that she has labels that she will include with the link to the nursery site, so people can go read up on how to plant, etc.

Zoning, Planning, Selectmen Reports

- Nothing out of the ordinary or having to do with Conservation except that the planning board is dealing with a consultation on the land at the end of Sanborn Rd near the rest area construction area. Selectboard is also recommending water testing prior to any future development in that area.

Communications and Miscellaneous:

- NHCC is sponsoring a webinar talk Monday night 7-8pm on “How to avoid spending quality time with the NH Attorney General.” Marla is participating, and would like to see another member of the CC go as well.
- NHECC is conducting a round of vegetation control, and is spraying targeted species
- The CC received a copy of the wetlands permit application on Sandy Beach Rd.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Submitted by: Emily Cleaveland, Secretary

ACTION ITEMS:

- Marla will contact GRANIT with Kinsley and NE corner adjustments.
- Marla will look into the owner of the property adjacent to Kinsley lot.
- Tim will begin making headway on Kinsley lot trails.