

**CHESTERFIELD  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

Present: Kathy Thatcher, Facilitator; Susan Donahue, Lynne Borofsky, Bruce Jacobs, Pam Walton, Judy Idelkope, Selectboard Representative; and Ken Holvik, Alternate.

**Visitor** – Jeff Littleton was present to discuss proposals for wetlands inventory. Jeff suggested the Commission contact Paul Kottila from Fitzwilliam Commission. Pam suggested using SWRPC to do the computer portion.

**Minutes** – Pam moved August 28<sup>th</sup> for discussion. The motion was seconded by Bruce. Lynne moved August 28<sup>th</sup> as submitted. The motion was seconded by Bruce and passed unanimously.

**Land Projects** – Bruce reported there was an easement violation. A property abutter has cut trees on the easement. Hampshire Timber Holdings, LLC is the owner of the easement.

**Budget** – Lynne proposed \$7,851 for 2024 Budget. The only increase is \$50 to website maintenance. Susan moved \$7,851 for the 2024 Budget. The motion was seconded by Bruce and passed unanimously.

**New Permits** –

- 1). Jane & Dick Waddell – Standard Dredge & Fill Application 2023-02343
- 2). Walter & Patricia Carroll – Land Resource Management 2023-01992 remove dock and accessory structure.

**Planning/Zoning** – It was reported that if 2 Committee members meet this is not considered a subcommittee.

**Events** –

- 1). The Conservation Commission dinner is October 4<sup>th</sup> at Stonewall Farm from 6 to 8 PM.
- 2). The Tom Duston Trail dedication will take place on October 21<sup>st</sup> at the Plain Road Trailhead at 10 AM. There will be an after party outside at the Duston's house. A small kiosk will go in at the top of Moone Ledge. Susan moved up to \$1,600 from Contracted Services and Supplies & Signs to pay for Signs and Contractor to install the kiosk. There may be donations coming in to offset the cost.
- 3). Brattleboro Chamber Guide Magazine – Lynne will reach out to clarify information on the Chesterfield trails.

**Spofford Lake Association** – The next meeting will be October 16<sup>th</sup>. B&K would like to run some safety drills.

**Other** – The Estimate for the Route 63 parking lot for Friedsam Forest is \$3,150. This is for 54 yards of hard pack and compacting. The Highway Department may be able to help with the compacting if the Commission can find the material. Susan moved to appropriate \$1,500 for hard pack. The motion was seconded by Bruce and passed unanimously.

**Adjournment** – The meeting scheduled as follows:

October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Ken will be the Facilitator

December 4<sup>th</sup>, Pam will be the Facilitator  
January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Lynne will be the Facilitator  
February 26<sup>th</sup>, Susan will be the Facilitator  
March 25<sup>th</sup>, Ken will be the Facilitator

Bruce moved to adjourn at 9:23 PM. The motion was seconded by Susan and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy LaFontaine  
Secretary

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Kathy Thatcher  
Facilitator