

Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes

5/3/18

Present:

Evy Nathan, Marghi Bean, Ken Twombly, Greg Senko, Linda Foss, Bob Smith

Guests: Walt Roy, Jeff Sluder, Michael Dobrowski, Ernie Landry

Secretary's report:

Minutes from 4/18 were accepted

Minutes for this meeting were taken by Marghi Bean in the absence of Mary Jane Twombly.

Treasurer's report:

Account sheets were passed out

Michael Dobrowski:

Mr. Dobrowski brought an application for an expedited permit for a seasonal dock on his property at Penniman's Grove. Mr. Dobrowski reported that his family has had a dock at this location for 40 years, but he missed the "grandfather" date by 2 years. He would like to replace the old dock with a new, seasonal dock. Mr. Dobrowski is aware that he may not use mechanized methods to place or remove the dock. Commission reviewed the paperwork, agreed that Mr. Dobrowski had done due diligence, and signed off on the paperwork.

Ernie Landry:

Ernie came to update the Commission on the Trails Committee.

The goal of the TC at this time is to map town trails with a uniform mapping method. He also felt that before the trail maps are made available online, the trails might also be marked uniformly. Valley Lane is mapping ready, but

Evy Nathan mentioned that there are so many trail markers already at VL, that it would be a lot of work to change them out for uniform markers.

***Greg Senko and Linda Foss were thanked for clearing many of the fallen branches and trees at Valley Lane and Frye.**

Evy Nathan also felt that ET's Landing could be made map-ready in an hour or two, but Mr. Senko felt parking and signage to this trail should be in place first. This is a work in progress. Frye has similar access problems. Though the trails at Frye are well marked and the trailhead is in place, the parking and access from Danville are unmarked. Additionally, the Commission

needs to get out to the site and relocate part of the blue trail away from the floodplain.

Ernie also feels, that according to a CC RSA, the Commission does have the authority to appoint a trails committee. Evy will look into this.

Ernie also gave a brief update on the status of the Trabucco property. SELT is now looking at bids from appraisers.

DES, Planning Board:

Kings Landing plans were reviewed for the altered vernal pool buffer. We are pleased that this compromise worked for everyone.

Solar Hills: We briefly reviewed the Solar Hills letter from Mr. Ferwerda, and it was noted that several adjustments have been made to accommodate the vernal pool. We will wait for comment until we received new plans, as Mr. Pellegrino had asked for a continuance at the last PB meeting.

DOT's plans for improving the Rte 125 culvert near the Great Pond dam are going forward.

New and Ongoing Business:

No Trapping signs have been placed in all town forests except Dorre. Evy will plan a walk to Dorre with Ken.

Library hikes will recommence in May/June.

Manuel LCIP will need rocks and signage placed, and a formal letter to all abutters sent.

Bob Smith was asked to retrieve the turtle sign we purchased last year from the highway department, and to see if he can find the missing sign from the North Road constructions area.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25

Next meeting June 7