

Kingston Conservation Commission Meeting
7/12/2018

Meeting called to order 10:10 am

Present:

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

Guests:

Jeff Sluder, John Ricker

Secretary's Report: Secretary Mary Jane Twombly is currently in the hospital. Evy transcribed her notes. Ken Twombly motioned to accept minutes as written, Marghi Bean seconded, all were in favor. Linda Foss volunteered to act as secretary for this meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Evy welcomed John Ricker, who has volunteered to be KCC Treasurer pending his appointment by the BOS. Jeff provided a current copy of the budget and YTD spending, and offered to show John how he prepares the spreadsheets. It was noted that we will be incurring expenses of approximately \$1,300 in the fall for spraying of invasive plants at Frye.

Planning Board, DES, OEP:

14 Meeks Road, 5 North Road, All American Assisted Living:

The photocopied plans for these three projects have been marked 'insufficient' as they are too small to read; the Planning Board will be asked to provide another set of legible plans for each of these projects.

Note: after the fact Ellen informed Evy that these are approved plans for our records, and we do not need to comment at this time.

Diamond Oaks:

This site plan is for a 4800 sf. building for contractor's offices and storage. Because of the contractor's poor track record and the large number of complaints from residents regarding insufficient maintenance of stormwater drains at the Hawk's Ridge development, will request a meeting with the Town Engineer to explain the stormwater management plan for Diamond Oaks prior to giving

approval. Will request that a maintenance log for stormwater management be required as a condition of approval.

Bresnahan Moving and Storage:

Would like to know if the wet pond and infiltration basin #1 can be redesigned so that they do not infringe as much on the vernal pool buffers. Will request a written plan that provides for dimmed or eliminated lighting near the vernal pools during breeding and hatching season, roughly March through May. Will also request that a maintenance log for stormwater management be required as a condition of approval.

Solar Hills:

Will ask the contractor to clarify the most recent changes on this set of plans, and will also request that a maintenance log for stormwater management be required as a condition of approval.

61 North Road: (wetlands permit application):

Will ask that the owner/project engineer come to our next meeting to explain the details of the project, which involves filling wetlands to provide a driveway crossing to the three lots in the subdivision.

Trails:

Frye Town Forest:

Tracy Degnan of Rockingham County Conservation District followed up on the Frye project, stating that spraying would not happen until the special permit for spraying within a wetland buffer is approved, adding that payment for the work would not be required until the project was completed. She also said she would contact UNH “Nature Groupies” regarding volunteers for the trail relocation and bog bridges.

Correspondence:

Michael Dobrowolski, Penniman’s Grove – permit issued by DES for a seasonal pier.

Kip Kaiser, Powwow Pond Council – wetlands expedited permit application approved for removal of weeds at Boston Road boat ramp to facilitate boat passage

Trails Committee:

Ernie reported that map programs used by larger organization could cost up to \$800. Peter Coffin will obtain more information on Rockingham Planning Commission's Trail Mapper program. They will also investigate using Google Maps, which would be more cost effective and would also be accessible to individuals using smart phones instead of printed maps.

Trail markers:

Using directional arrows vs. plain markers was discussed, as was using signs with trail names and distances at major intersections.

Received copies of notices from DES that they will be conducting compliance inspections between June and September of the following permitted projects: Michael Rohulich, 8 Lamprey Road; Todd Reardon, 47 Wadleigh Point Road; Russell Chute, 39 Coopers Grove Road

Alteration of Terrain Application received for Diamond Oaks

Kingston Days:

KCC will not have a booth at Kingston Days this year; we may leave Trail Passport handouts at the FOKOS booth.

Frye cellar hole archeology project:

Will try to complete this in August; Jeff Sluder will photograph, Marghi Bean will provide art work, Evy will work on written history.

SELT Monitoring walks:

Walks were done the weeks of July 1st and 8th with Hannah Epstein

Evy Nathan reported that Dorre Road was in pristine condition, and that Frye was in good condition and very clean.

Peter Coffin reported that the Rockrimmon property off Acorn Drive was in poor condition with multiple ATV incursions and lots of trash.

Greg Senko and Linda Foss reported that the north section of the North Kingston town forest was in good condition. The old deer stand/tree house was still standing,

and that there was a new deer stand on the property strapped to a tree with no owner identification.

The Sargent Nature Conservancy property walk is scheduled for Friday July 13 at 9:00 am.

Marghi Bean reported a large amount of trash on Back Road; it was suggested that Don Briggs be notified, as this area is a class 6 road and popular for partying.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM

Next meeting:
August 9