

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes – D R A F T

May 10, 2017 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

In Attendance

- Bob Dillberger
- Barbara DeVore
- Anna Faiello
- Liz Fletcher
- Bob Larochelle
- Ann Moser

Voted unanimously to accept April minutes.

At 7:11 PM, Barbara requested that we enter a nonpublic session. Liz seconded. All agreed.

Return to public session at 8:00 PM.

Bob L. reports that Fieldstone installed pins at the corners of the Mason Quarry parking lot easement, so the area is now clearly marked. The BOS accepted the easement last month.

Met with Gary Elsworth regarding access to the conservation land along the powerline ROW off Starch Mill Rd. Gary reports an ongoing problem with illegal OHRV use of the property. Gary suggests posting a conservation land sign which he has onhand at a key point to let potential trespassers know. He also suggested possibly asking NH F&G to contact OHRV dealers to remind their customers that a powerline ROW is often private property. He also suggested we ask Eversource to leave vegetation when mowing along the property boundaries to make access more difficult.

Voted to pay a bill for \$130.00 to G.W. Shaw & Son, Inc. for a dumpster used for roadside clean-up, money to come from the Conservation General Fund.

Voted to pay a bill for \$42.46 to the Board of Selectmen as reimbursement for the cost of recording the Mason Quarry parking easement, money to come from the Land Protection Fund.

Voted to pay \$2,000 to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) as this year's installment on our contribution to their land protection fund for the Mason Quarry, money to come from the Land Protection Fund.

Barbara reports the BOS is scheduling a hearing regarding the Mason Quarry parking area, exact date TBD. Also with regard to the parking area, agreed we need to develop at least a rough plan for the parking lot to use in soliciting bids for its construction.

Bob D. reports he met with Dave Morrison (Road Agent) to discuss the two items mentioned in last month's minutes. Regarding the Jackson Rd. bridge, Dave doesn't think there's any issue with the trees there right now, although he'll cut them if we feel it necessary. Regarding drainage at the Florence Roberts Forest trail head, Dave says a culvert can be installed to move the water further downhill. He also said the state has some culverts we can use for the project. After discussion, agreed to ask Dave to remove the trees at Jackson Rd. to prevent future problems. Also agreed to ask Dave to proceed with installing a culvert at the Flo. Roberts trail head.

Barbara reports the police collected 40-50 lbs. of drugs at Drug Takeback Day.

Chris Leask (Batchelder Rd.) would like to attend our next meeting to discuss a possible land purchase, and to discuss fertilizing the hay fields along Greenville Rd.