

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes – D R A F T

Apr. 10, 2019 7:00 pm to 9:35 pm

In Attendance

- Barbara DeVore
- Bob Dillberger
- Anna Faiello
- Liz Fletcher
- Bob Larochelle
- Ann Moser
- Rosanna Nadeau
- Matt Robinson-Liu

Barbara moved that we accept April minutes, Liz seconded, Passed unanimously,

We received a copy of what Craig Fifield recently mailed to LCHIP regarding proposed changes to the Fifield Tree Farm easement (see previous minutes for details). Liz suggested we send a letter to LCHIP supporting the changes.

Bob D. gave updates on various matters related to the Spaulding Brook Headwaters project:

- The funding seminar in Concord on 4/9 (Bob D. and Barbara attended) was very helpful.
- PLC partnership is still an option but their current schedule makes it impossible for us to rely on them for help with the LCHIP application which is due 6/28. If their board is agreeable, we might still partner with them for the remainder of the project.
- Bill Thomas and Charlie Krautman from DES dam bureau inspected the dam on B-4-2 and pronounced it structurally sound and non-menace. We intend to leave the dam as-is for the time being and will revisit the question of removal later when we're further along in the grant process for the land purchase; we might choose to deal with the dam separately as a future project undertaken after the land purchase is complete. (ARM could provide funding for such a restoration project.)
- The most pressing deadlines are the ARM and LCHIP intent-to-apply submissions in May. Shortly after that, the full LCHIP application is due at the end of June. Other applications aren't due for several months after that.

Barbara's begun advertising the next Drug Take-Back Day on April 27.

Liz will call Charlie Lanni to coordinate activities and supplies (bags, dumpster) for the upcoming roadside cleanup day.

Matt gave an update about buying licenses for Manifold (GIS tool for maintaining our NRI). All agreed Matt should buy two licenses that give us 12 installations in total which should be sufficient for quite some time.

Barbara brought up the idea of a Bronson Potter memorial event in recognition of the 40th anniversary of his infamous flight under the RR trestle in Greenville. Discussion continued to a future meeting.