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Conservation Commission

Approved Minutes

May 26, 2022

7:00 pm @ Community Development Department

Attendance:

Vice Chair Morris- present

Kara Feldberg- present

Pam Skinner- present

Lisa Ferrisi- present

Brian McFarland, alternate- excused

Chairman Dave Curto- excused

Mike Specian, alternate- present (seated for Chairman Curto)

Campbell Farm Updates: N/A

Northeast Pest Control contacted Vice Chair Morris to see if any treatment was necessary for Dogbane at Campbell Farm. Northeast Pest Control will take a look at the area and also assess the area for bittersweet.

Clyde Pond/ Ashton Park Updates:

Vice Chair Morris and Chairman Curto have asked for this area to be surveyed to see where the boundaries are. Ashton Park has been surveyed and there does appear to be encroachment in this area.

Deer Leap/ Moeckel Pond Updates:

- Eagle Scout Proposal

Mason Monterio addressed the Board. Mason would like to construct a boat launch so people can use the area for boating. Mason shared an illustration of what he would be doing at the landing. Mason would use a material that will allow the water to pass through and create a smoother landing. The structure would be 12 feet by 12 feet. Mason explained the advantages and disadvantages of the geotextiles. The geotextiles are safe for wildlife and they do not need maintenance. Geotextiles can be more expensive and does require the use of specialized tools for installation. Mr. Foden will be donating the materials. The Board discussed the geocell material and Mason had a sample available. Mason also showed the Board a few suggested signs as well as a potential oar rack users of the board launch. The oar rack will be installed with concrete post holes. Mason asked if there were any other groups he needed permission from for the project.

The Board and Mason discussed the proposed area of work and what the current conditions were. Vice Chair Morris signed Mason's Boy Scout paperwork.

Fosters Pond/ Greenway Updates:

Rt. 28/Melvaine Forest Updates: N/A

Other Conservation lands and Easements Updates: N/A

Miscellaneous items:

- Surveillance cameras discussion with Windham Police

Vice Chair Morris stated that he did touch base with Chief Caron but they will put this discussion off until the next meeting.

- Discussion of Landry Easement

Vice Chair Morris stated that he did speak with Mr. Jeff Landry and will follow up about smoothing out some surfaces in the area.

- Discussion of installation of flow devices for flooding mitigation

Ms. Feldberg stated that she did discuss the installation of beaver deceivers in several areas with Best Way Wildlife Control at Ashton Park. The goal would be to have the water down 3 inches. The estimate for Pine Hill Road was also for a pipe that would drain the area about 12 inches from the current conditions. Foster's Pond has 2 large beaver dams. There would be a 15-inch pipe installed in this area to help alleviate the needs in this area. Ms. Feldberg did say that all maintenance plans are optional after the initial installation.

A motion was made by Ms. Feldberg to proceed with the estimates from Best Way Wildlife Control for the installation of 4 beaver deceivers for a total of \$8,700 at Foster's Pond (2), Pine Hill Road (1) and Ashton Park (1). Seconded by Ms. Skinner. Vote 5-0. Motion passes.

- Brendon Ashworth for proposed Eagle Scout project

Brendan Ashworth addressed the Board with his Eagle Scout proposal. Brendan would like to build a kiosk in front of the Foster's Pond recreation area. Brendan submitted pictures of his proposal to the Board. Brendan stated that these designs were revised based on the kiosk at Clyde Pond. Brendan plans to take the old sign down but he will incorporate pieces of the old sign into the new sign. Brendan will also use cement to install the sign into the ground.

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ZBA:

Case # 10-2022 **Parcel 24-F-6**
Applicant – Benchmark LLC
Owner – Edward and Renee Hahn
Location – 6 Johnny Hill Rd
Zoning District – Rural District

Variance Relief is requested from Section(s) 702, and Appendix A-1 to construct a single- family dwelling on an approximately 7.26-acre lot that does not have the required 175-feet of frontage on a Town Class V Road. The lot does have 240-feet of frontage on a discontinued Road.

The Board discussed this case but also said they did not yet have all of the information. The Board would like more information about the case. The Board discussed that there were a lot of legal questions that still need to be answered.

Ms. Feldberg had a letter from Ms. Wendy Williams that stated the following based on the recent site walk:

1. There is no easy access to #6. A trail needs to be cut.
2. The markers for the boundary between properties stops at the end of Johnny Hill Road
3. No markers apparent or visible on the north end (towards Bennington) for #6.
4. Unable to determine where boundary markers are between abutter's parcels (historic asset as well), and 6 Johnny Hill

The Board discussed that this was challenging because of the location of the site.

PB: N/A

Intent to Cut Applications: N/A

DES Permits & Correspondence:

- 24 Horseshoe Rd – Wetlands Permit by Notification

This has a wall repair and the boat house is staying in the same area according to the application.

The Board discussed the Landry easement once again. Mr. Jeff Noyles addressed the Board. Mr. Noyles said that a neighbor came in with equipment and disrupted the trail system in the area. Mr. Noyles did gather up all of the dead trees in the area and blocked the opening in the stone wall. There was a barricade installed by them and it has not been disrupted. Mr. Noyles said that some of the loose holes that were there as a result of the machinery have been filled in by water and snow melt. Mr. Noyles said there was a no trespassing order put in place by the police and then renewed. Mr. Noyles retold the history between himself and the neighbor who has now been instructed not to trespass on the property. Mr. Noyles stated that it was going to take a Bobcat to repair the disruption done to the area. Vice Chair Morris stated that he would suggest contacting the person who has done trail work for the Conservation Commission in the past.

A motion was made by Ms. Skinner to enter non-public session under RSA 91A: 3 (d) to discuss land acquisition. Seconded by Ms. Feldberg. Roll call vote: Ms. Feldberg, Ms. Skinner, Vice Chair Morris, Ms. Ferrisi, Mr. Specian- yes. Vote 5-0. Motion passes.

A motion was made by Ms. Feldberg to come out of non-public session at 8:34pm. Seconded by Ms. Skinner. Roll call vote: Ms. Feldberg, Ms. Skinner, Vice Chair Morris, Ms. Ferrisi, Mr. Specian- yes. Vote 5-0. Motion passes.

A motion was made by Ms. Feldberg to seal the non-public minutes for a period of 2 years. Seconded by Ms. Skinner. Roll call vote: Ms. Feldberg, Ms. Skinner, Vice Chair Morris, Ms. Ferrisi, Mr. Specian- yes. Vote 5-0. Motion passes.

A motion was made by Ms. Ferrisi to adjourn at 8:37pm. Seconded by Ms. Skinner. Vote 5-0. Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted by Anitra Lincicum

Approved