

**NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 13, 2020**

Members Present: Kevin Fife, Christina Beadle, Charlie Page, Mark Chaffee, Sterling Blackey, David Kraus
Other Present: Jeff Burd, Brian Hotz, Britani Denoncourt

Having a quorum established Christina Beadle called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- **Jeff Burd Rt. 140 Wetlands Impact:**

Mr. Burd discussed the project on Rt. 140 which is going before the Planning Board as a site plan for a Self-Storage facility. Mr. Burd explained that there will be a temporary impact to the wetlands during the construction of the facility. Board reviewed the plans provided and discussed the wetland areas located on the property. Board agreed they had no issues with the temporary impact to the wetlands as presented.

- **Brian Hotz – NH Forrest Society**

Mr. Hotz explained the project the NH Forrest Society is doing along the Merrimack River and that they are asking for support from the Town for this project which is required for the funding they are applying for. Mr. Hotz handed out a map and information regarding the project. Mr. Hotz added that the property will be open to the public for use. Board reviewed the information provided. Krause/Fife moved to proceed with a letter of support to the NH Forrest Society from the Conservation Commission. Motion Passed.

- **Minutes**

Fife/Sterling moved to accept the minutes as written for June 8, 2020. **Motion Passed**

- **Pond Testing**

Ms. Beadle stated that testing is still being conducted, and would like to get started on the septic project. Commission discussed the septic project and agreed to focus on old systems, and continue research on systems we do not have information on.

- **Trail Update:**

Mr. Blackey informed the Commission that one of the signs is gone and a lot of trash is being left behind on the trails. Mr. Page informed the Commission of a dog attack at Knowles Pond trails and also there's an issue with camping at the boat launch. Commission discussed new signage to encourage additional parking on Rand Rd and to possibly include the law on keeping pets on leashes. Chaffee noted that there is a chain hanging from the tree to swing off of now.

- **Loon Update:**

Mr. Chaffee stated that he has seen one chick.

- **Ordinance Review:**

Commission reviewed the updated ordinances, with a few minor changes, Commission agreed they are ready to go before the Selectboard.

- **Signage:**

Commission agreed they liked the signage Mr. Chaffee drafted and would like to move forward with pricing once Selectboard passes the ordinances.

There being no other business meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM

Minutes Approved September 21, 2020