

Town of Milton
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3/8/21
Meeting Minutes
4:30PM

Present Members: Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish, Virginia Long, Karen Golab, Deborah McCormack, Robert Weiss

Absent Members: Wayne Sylvester

Staff Present: Julius Peel, Land Use Department

Members of the Public: Jen King

Special Meeting Notice - Electronic

1. Ascertain who is present.

2. Jen King TPPA and Ed Committee

- a. Grant from NH Grass Roots fund to create a video for the community. Asking if the community will put in funds. She introduced a videographer that was chosen to the Commission. The videos will be broken down into three to four small videos of roughly 3 minutes long to easily share online and to get the attention of the community. She is asking that \$500 or \$750 be donated to the creation of the video. Karen Golab asked what the total cost was. Jen stated that the total cost is roughly \$2,500 with the grant being roughly \$1,000.
- b. Cynthia Wyatt appoints Deb to step in for Wayne Sylvester in his absence.
- c. **Karen Golab makes the motion to support the videographer in the amount of 750\$ from the conservation fund to be sent to the TPPA. Bob Weiss Seconds.**

3. Approve February 8th and 11th meeting minutes.

- a. The Commission noted some errors within the draft minutes. The edits are as follows:
- b. February 8th Minutes correction from Virginia Long and Steve Panish.
- c. Deb February 11th Remove.
- d. Bob Weiss Motioned to approve the February 9th Minutes with edits. Karen Golab seconded.
- e. Karen Golab motioned to approve the February 11th Minutes. Bob Weiss Seconded.
- f. Tabled the January 11th Meeting Minutes.

4. Follow up on MCC role/initiatives for helping meet MS4 mandates.

- a. Waiting for the meeting with Geo-Insights. Karen Golab mentioned Dale, Wastewater Department, went to a meeting with the BOS to get their approval towards joining a multi-municipal agreement.

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41 **5. Trout Unlimited project (Steve & Virginia)**

- 42 a. Virginia Long noted that the grant proposal will be worked on by Colin. The proposal
43 would need to be finalized by the end of May. They had spoken with Pat Smith at the
44 department of public works, and he noted that he would be willing to work on this
45 project, but was hesitant to allocate financial support. The Grant would be roughly
46 \$150,000 as that tends to be their typical financial assistance. Virginia Long noted that a
47 pledge of \$1,000 dollars by the conservation commission might be a good place to start.
48 Karen Golab stated that the community should see final figures before this pledge is
49 submitted. Virginia noted that there are plans that have been submitted to the DPW
50 director. The commission discussed the necessity for the conservation commission to
51 donate financial support for road maintenance. Robert Weiss asked if this was
52 something that he could be involved in. Virginia noted that she will send this to the
53 entire committee and thinks the commission should review the idea of a pledge later.

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55 **6. Follow up with Norway Plains regarding partial survey of the Ball property at April Meeting.**

- 56 a. Reminder for when the snow is gone.

57 **7. Continue to monitor status of 3.04-acre parcel referenced by tax/lot 41/81.**

- 58 a. Reminder for when the snow is gone.

59 **8. Educational Outreach:**

60 Jen King was present with information about producing an educational video about the
61 Three Ponds. Kathy Wallingford sent Cynthia Wyatt a list of all waterfront properties to
62 prepare a potential mailing list.

63 **9. Casey Rd. update**

64 a. **Any responses from landowners regarding letters that went out?**

65 No request for a response. Liberty circle letter was also delivered with a return receipt.

66 b. **Change of warrant article re: hunting at deliberative session. Virginia requests that**
67 **Commissioners are polled to see if they support inviting a responsible hunter to join**
68 **the MCC.**

- 69 c. Virginia Long raised this issue because she was concerned that the warrant article that
70 was proposed and how it might have created an image for the community that the MCC
71 was anti-hunting. She feels that there needs to be representation on the board for
72 hunting. Virginia Long noted a Facebook post. The commission discussed the
73 deliberative session and noted the misunderstanding from community present. Cynthia
74 Wyatt stated that maybe the commission should reach out to the townhall to see if
75 there is any precedent to establishing a new member. The commission agrees that they
76 will postpone the discussion until a later date.

77 **10. Financial Report, budget, invoices**

- 78 a. Cynthia noted a question about the cost of NH Association of Conservation Commission.
79 The invoice was paid by Steve Panish and he has not gotten an invoice from them lately.

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80 They had informed him that the \$325 is the same cost that they had been paying
81 previously. After reviewing the notes, they found that it was paid.

82 **11. Set up a FB Page for MCC activities**

83 Virginia Long has put together a Facebook page that was eventually removed because of
84 the lack a personal Facebook page. Ernie, town administrator, has noted a concern with
85 connecting a personal account. To account for this, they will reach out to the town's tech
86 support for more information.

87 **12. Public input**

88 No Public Present

89 **13. Any other business**

90 14. No Public Present

91 **15. Adjourn**

92 **Motion to adjourn by Steve Panish, and seconded by Karen Golab.**
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