

**Town of Milton**  
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**Conservation Commission**  
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1 11/9/20  
2 Meeting Minutes  
3 6:30PM  
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5 **Present Members:** Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish, Wayne Sylvester, Virginia Long, Karen Golab,  
6 Deborah McCormack, Robert Weiss  
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8 **Absent Members:**  
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10 **Staff Present:** Julius Peel, Land Use Department  
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### 12 **Special Meeting Notice - Electronic**

13 Notice is hereby given in accordance with RSA 676:5 & 676:7 and the NH  
14 Governor's Emergency Order #23 that the **Milton Conservation Commission**  
15 will hold a special meeting on Monday, 11/9/2020 at 6:30PM remotely, using the  
16 Zoom web-based platform where members will not be physically present at one  
17 meeting location. All discussion must be audible for citizens viewing or listening  
18 to the meeting through Zoom services (computer or phone).

19 **Computer:** to participate or listen using a computer to the live meeting on  
20 Monday, 11/9/2020 at 5:30 PM go this link:  
21 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82177739843?pwd=Ujg5cXpEdHlKOWdGcDJqaUZMTXN2dz09>  
22 Meeting ID: 821 7773 9843  
23 Passcode: NFSpi6

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28 Passcode: 239434

29 When you click on the link, you will see a message that this is Deborah  
30 McCormack's Personal Meeting Room, since we are using Deb's Zoom business  
31 account. Please mute your microphone while others are speaking in order to  
32 reduce unwanted background noise or feedback and wait until the Chair call on  
33 you to speak. To facilitate audible discussion, we will go around the room for  
34 each guest, committee member or member of the public comments for each  
35 agenda item and before any vote; votes will be taken by roll call. If you want to  
36 interject a comment out of turn, please stay mute but raise or wave your hand to

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37 get the attention of the Chair to be called on to speak.  
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39 Please listen to the Zoom meeting to ascertain when to “raise your hand” to speak. There  
40 will be public comment before any vote. When you wish to speak, press\*(star)9 on your  
41 phone dial pad to “raise your hand” in the meeting. To toggle between mute and unmute,  
42 press \*(star) 6 on your phone dial pad. If any member of the public has repeated problems,  
43 the meeting will be discontinued.  
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**I. Call to Order: 6:30 PM**

Steve Panish was not present at the beginning of the meeting, so Virginia Long was appointed by Cynthia Wyatt to fill his seat until he arrived.

**II. Approve Minutes: October 27th minutes**

Virginia Long noted in the minutes that there was an error with the time on the minutes. This correction would change AM to PM in the October 27<sup>th</sup> minutes.

Steve Panish arrives at 6:34

**III. RFP for wetlands delineation of 3.04-acre 41/81 to document conservation value and development potential of the property.**

Cynthia explained to the board that she inquired about the cost of the wetland's delineation from Cindy Balcius with Stoney Ridge Environment Consultants. The total cost would be \$500. The board discussed the amount remaining in their budget to determine if this was a worthwhile purchase. The board agreed that \$500 dollars was very reasonable cost to ensure that the wetland value of the town owned property is accurately documented before it is auctioned by the town for public sale.

**Motion:**

Steve Panish motions to expend \$500 from the Conservation Commission's 2020 budgeted general account for the Wetlands Delineation of the 3.04-acre town owned lot, Seconded by Karen Golab. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes approving the \$500 for the wetland's delineations.\*

**IV. Follow up on draft letter to Ernie re: BMP informational docs included for building permits along Milton shoreland to protect Milton Ponds' water quality.**

Land Use Clerk Julius Peel explained to the board that Ernie, Brian Boyers and him spoke about the process of distributing DES handouts while in the office. During this discussion Brian noted that previously NHDES used to give him handouts to give to the public. Virginia Long mentioned to the board that she is unsure what handouts Brian used to give out, but that there is not currently a handout available to give to Brian immediately. The commission noted the importance of having a visually appealing document, but also one that cost effectively fits on one piece of paper. The commission agrees to let the education sub-committee formulate a handout document that will be presented to Brian Boyers. Virginia Long also brought into question the mass mailing.



After discussing the topic, Wayne Sylvester explains that this is not the time of year to do the mailing as expansion along the water will not be happening now. The commission agreed that the mass mailing is an important piece to educating the public, but it will have to wait until closer to spring before handing them out.

**V. Casey Rd. update:**

Bob Weiss started by saying that he got into contact with Tyler to ask him about obtaining the proper credentials so that he can fix the QR codes that are along the Casey road trail. Bob explained that even after the assistance there was little to no progress in fixing the issue at hand since the website was not allowing him to log in.

Cynthia Wyatt explained that she spoke with Ernie about getting an item on the BOS agenda to remind them that the BOS voted at their 9/19/2019 meeting to approve the signage which states the allowed and restricted uses including no hunting on the Casey Road property. Cynthia noted that there are specific NO HUNTING signs that are required by state law to be posted every 300 feet and that she had already bought 40 of them. The commission agreed that they should post soon since the hunting season has started. Cynthia volunteered to ask Jon Nute who lives close to the location if he would help.

**Motion:**

**\*Steve Panish motions to spend \$200 to purchase no hunting signs for posting, Seconded by Bob Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes accepting the \$200 purchase.\***

**VI. Financial Report:**

Steve Panish explained that there were a few legal bills that were paid from the conservation general account that he did not think that the commission approved. These charges were legal fees from Drummond and Woodsum that covered the conservation easement questions. Steve notes that it is very pricy to speak with the lawyers and that the commission should be wary about overusing it. The second piece that would need to be approved is the Seacoast Media charges that were discussed at the last meeting. Steve clarified that the purchases were charged to the town administrator account rather than the budgeted conservation account and that money would have to be transferred between the accounts. The commission discussed the \$5,000 check that is currently waiting in the townhall that was found during an audit. This check was approved by town vote to be

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101 donated into the conservation fund, but Virginia remembers that this payment was  
102 directly sent to Moose Mountain Regional Greenways. To avoid double payment, they  
103 agree that they will do a bit more research before accepting the check. Cynthia Wyatt also  
104 noted that Chris Kane's monitoring reports will be completed soon and sent to the  
105 commission for board review. This also means that the commission will have to pay him  
106 soon for the work.

**Motion:**

**\*Wayne Sylvester Motions to accept the expenditures as presented by Steve Panish, Seconded by Bob Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The motion passes accepting the expenditures as presented. \***

**Motion:**

**\*Steve Panish Motions to adjourn, Seconded by Bob Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The motion passes adjourning the meeting. \***