

MILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION PO BOX 310 MILTON, NH 03851 Wednesday, 8/3/2022 Meeting at 6:00 PM Milton Town Hall conference room

Virginia and Steve personally request all attendees who have not been fully vaccinated and boosted to wear a mask during the meeting. (We are vaccinated but will likely wear masks anyway, because of our age/vulnerable status and Steve's elderly parents.) Thank you for your consideration!

AGENDA

- 1. Ascertain who is present and approve alternates to serves as full members as needed
- 2. Welcome guests
- 3. (pending) Veronica Bodge, new land agent at MMRG, will introduce herself and talk about how MMRG assists CCs; next CC Mixer
- 4. Display/circulate CC materials for lending (sign-out sheet)
- 5. Event announcements: Aug 13: MMRG WWW Festival & TPPA annual meeting
- 6. Review/Approve 7/6/2022 meeting minutes with corrections
- 7. Prime wetlands designation: Shall we send out RFP (request for proposal) to contract a wetland scientist? If so, what specs?

Potential scientists: Mark West Environmental, FB Environmental; Dan Coons--Ilex Wetlands; Stoney Ridge Environmental (Cindy Balcius); Dana Truslow Resource Consulting; Ecosytem Management Consultants (Rick Van de Poll),

- 8. Wetlands and Shoreland Permit Applications or violations : IF ANY
- 9. Report on MCC- sponsored MS4 educational outreach event at Town Beach on Saturday, July 9 (TY cards?)
- 10. Financial Report, budget, invoices (Steve)
- 11. Town of Milton walking trails map by Peter Goodwin (Virginia) any last changes to new map version (sent out in advance) ?

- 12. Trails Volunteers Group:
 - a. approve final guidelines (sent out in advance)
 - b. update on recent trails work , including Casey Rd Conservation Land (Jeff & Mike)
- 13. Town-owned Easements and conservation lands:
 - a. EASEMENTS: Kane Conservation will monitor in late September
 - b. FEE PROPERTIES:
 - i. Update on plan to get easement on Old Ski Area (as mandated by town vote)
 - ii. Update on plan to get easement on Jones Brook Park/Payne (as mandated by town vote)
 - iii. Monitoring report on Ball Property draft sent out in advance
 - iv. Management of Ball Property (see deed, CC has right to manage) Shall we remove 'No Trespassing' signs and encourage more use?
 - v. Letter to abutter of Dames Brook property
 - vi. Letter to abutters of Ball Property
 - vii. Plan stewardship walk in September? (Jones Brook Park or Spaulding Turnpike property)
- 14. Update on organizing MCC files at Town Hall (Sharon)
- 15. Educational Outreach: TPPA, Facebook, other (Virginia)-- MS4 materials are on town website, Brittney added list of town conservation lands (and MS4 event announcement) to MCC webpage, insufficient staff to request other website updates (almost missed the walk announcement getting posted!)
- 16. Update on Sam Plummer Rd Culvert Project (Virginia))—Natural Heritage Bureau did recon to look for small whorled pogonia; Joel DeStasio update: engineering work done so cost estimate also done, cost is almost twice original, TU has applied for a \$100k grant, Alena will apply for Moose Plate grant, a couple others.. project will be delayed by 1 year,more relaxed time frame to do DES wetland application, plan is to do project in phases so no need to do temporary bridge, less impact on abutting landowners' land
- 17. Update on Recruitment of new Alternate Commission members (STILL HAVE ROOM FOR ONE MORE)
- Update on status of 3.04-acre parcel (tax/lot 41/81) abutting Casey Rd Conservation Land (Virginia)
- 19. Other business
- 20. Public input
- 21. Agenda items for next time
- 22. Confirm next meeting date: Wednesday, September 7 at 6pm
- 23. Adjourn