Conservation Commission September 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes, DRAFT
Location: Town Hall The meeting was called to order at 6:34 P.M.
Present: Mary Ann Hill, Paul Melanson, James Kibler; Karen Ayers and Glen Schrempf Alternates
Absent: Cathy Golas, Nancy Roka, Shawn Hanson, Robert Wiener, Dale Ohsberg, Lou Gargiulo, Selectman

- Karen and Glen were appointed voting members.
- James moved to nominated M. Hill as the Chairperson, Paul seconded. 4 In favor, 1 abstention.

Old Stage Road Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act violation:
- Location: 40 Old Stage Road, Map 5 Lot 50
- River bank and island trees were clearcut; bare soil is showing on embankment.
- Owner was notified by Code enforcement officer and M. Hill who gave the owner the applicable NHDES Environmental Fact Sheet on buffer vegetation.
- Violation paperwork and photos was submitted to the NHDES electronically and by mail by J. Kibler. NHDES has jurisdiction under the above mentioned Act.
- M. Hill asked about CC involvement. She has the MWMO.org Guide to Bank Restoration for when/if the CC is asked about mitigation. Further action depends on the State now.

Raspberry Farm/Town Forest:
- Raspberry Farm field has been mowed. No plans to lime since field is so dry.
- Scrap wood was dumped at edge of parking lot. Glen will move this.
- Karen has list of volunteers to work on the invasive plants along the margin of the field by the pond.
- Discussed the possibility of cutting in the Town Forest since ground is dry and hard. M. Hill will contact Ron Klemarczyk of Foreco Forest Resource Consultants.

Marsh Lane:
- M. Hill and K. Ayers tried to mark the boundary line for the fence based on the survey which was done in 2007. The critical markers however are apparently buried under the hardscaping debris being piled on the line by the abutters, and there was too much brush/tree growth for a line of sight between the markers we could find. M. Hill made a Motion to hire a licensed surveyor to restore the line. P. Melanson seconded. Motion Passed.
- Some work was done on the invasives. Still needs lots more work done.

Planning Board/ZBA:
- M. Hill reported that two new subdivision plans have been submitted: six new houses at the corner of Old Stage and Brown Rd.; and two houses on Rt 88 across from Applecrest. Try to approach owner to see about the possibility of protecting some/all of this land.
- Final approval was given for the MotorSports project on Rt. 1 with a number of requirements, one of which was the placement of the wetland district placards the CC has, and certification of their installation before any work was done. Map 7 Lot 68.
- Variance was granted at 10 Oak Drive to allow an addition to a house to extend even further into the buffer.

Story Map: No report. Claybrook Forest: Nothing new

Other:
The Commission’s budget for 2021 was submitted Sept. 2nd. It included $3,000 for an intern for 2021 and $100 for renewing the GIS license. The budget committee approved the budget as submitted.

Conservation Easement Monitoring/Stewardship Reports were received from SELT for the Bates property and Marsh Lane: there was less ATV activity on Bates; Invasives and abutters encroachment was noted on Marsh Lane. Work in progress on both these issues.

Motion to Pay Balance of $875 due to Boy Scouts for Fly traps by Karen, Seconded by Glen. 4 in favor, 1 abstained.

Financial report: No expenditures this month. August 31st Budget Balance is $7,850.30. Balance in the escrow account is $90,556.12.

Minutes: Minutes from August 11 were reviewed. James made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Paul seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn: Motion made by Karen, Paul seconded. Passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50PM

Respectfully submitted, Mary Ann Hill Next meeting will be October 13, 2020