

1 **LYNDEBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

2 Dec 12, 2019

3 Members in Attendance: Sharon Akers, Greg Kreider, Theresa Berna, Kurt Berna, Lucius Sorrentino

4 Absent: Margaret Hagen, Mike Decubellis, Kris Henry

6 Minutes from November 14, 2019 approved

7 Bank Balance as of Nov 30, 2019 = \$13,924.91

9 **Year-End Report**

10 Sharon will draft the year-end report and email for commission review.

12 **Right of Way (ROW) for PLC**

13 Request:

14 Even though the Rose Mountain property is not a valuable wood lot, and the Piscataquog Land
15 Conservancy (PLC) has no intention of logging the property, they would like to include Right of Way
16 language in the Town Forest Easement so that they have guaranteed access in the future.

18 Why:

19 To provide access to the property which is currently land locked by other private owners. Scout road
20 which connects to their property is not currently passable so this is not a viable route and it would be
21 easier to cut a new path. There is a cleared path to the old cabin site (that we just used to remove the
22 cabin) that could be extended, though if logging were to take place in the future this path may also be
23 compromised.

25 How would this be helpful to the town?:

- 26 - Surplus money that was earmarked for the Rose Mt project could be used toward the Easement (up
27 to \$8,000)
- 28 - Some of the earmarked money could also be used to create a trail head Kiosk. The kiosk could be
29 used to present maps of the town trail and trails on Rose Mt. This would also provide an
30 opportunity to identify this as a cooperative effort between the Town and PLC.
- 31 - If the town were to log the property in the future they could piggy back with PLC creating access
32 and staging area to reduce cost/ increase profitability of the small lot.

Kurt contacted the PLC and requested that they include the ROW language as part of the easement document. PLC indicated that it would take a few weeks to draft and should have by end of year or early 2020.

Greg asked if we want to add language for structures, trail access, building new trails and trail maintenance, or a trail recreation plan. We decided to wait for the language provided by the PLC and then address these topics.

Wetland Ordinance

Sharon motioned to draft a letter to the Selectman outlining our past discussions with them including the report from the NRPC facilitated meeting on wetland protection options, to seek their guidance on implementing and enforcement of the buffers, Theresa seconded, all in favor.

Asphalt plant

The plant owner is appealing to the Wilton planning board and there are no details yet on the next steps. Sharon motioned that the letter of concern sent to the Wilton Zoning Board (ZBA) should also be sent to the Wilton Planning Board prior to the appeal hearing, Greg seconded, all in favor.

Other business

Greg presented a proposed layout and language for the trail head signs at the Town Forest entrance. Kurt Motioned to approve the language and layout, Theresa seconded, all in favor. Greg will forward to Kris Henry to create the image file for manufacture.

There was a discussion about creating additional metal signs with trail maps on them for Purgatory Falls and for the Town Forest. The town forest may have a kiosk so map could be presented there. In addition, a mailbox could be attached to the kiosk with printed trail maps. A sign should be added on mailbox encouraging people to replace the map after use to reduce the need/cost to print new maps.

Will the LCC support the petition for Carbon Cash Back? Need to do more research on impact, pros/cons before establishing a platform. This will most likely not take place before the petition deadline and if individuals want to support they can sign independently.

Adjourned: 7:52