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## **Conservation Commission Minutes** **Monday, April 23, 2018**

Approved: May 21, 2018

Vice Chairman Alan Chaney called the meeting to order at 6:30pm  
Members present: Juan Amodei, Leah Basbanes and Bill Moeller  
Members absent: Jeff Haight, Kieran Meehan and Marilyn Pike  
Meeting held: at the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

### **Eagle Scout Project – Joshua Meyer**

Joshua attended a Conservation Commission meeting a couple of months ago to discuss potential Eagle Scout projects. He chose a project and appeared tonight seeking the Commission's approval. He said that the trail on Blanchard Hill is overgrown and full of trash. He plans to widen the trail, which will include cutting down some trees. He plans on clearing bushes and cleaning up the trash. With the logs, he will build water bars at an angle to deflect water from the trail. Alan signed Joshua's paperwork and asked that before he get started to come back one more time to show the Commission his exact plans.

### **Notice of Intent Hearing continuation – Boston Gas Company – Kemp Street**

The DEP file number was received (149-0299), therefore Leah made a motion to close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions for the Kemp Street project. Bill 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2018**

Leah made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018 meeting, as submitted. Juan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Bills/Payroll**

Juan motioned to sign the bills/payroll. Leah 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **May 14 Meeting – Annual Town Meeting**

The Administrative Assistant told members that the next meeting falls on the night of Annual Town Meeting and the following meeting is Memorial Day. The Commission decided to hold their meeting May meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:30pm.

### **Site Visit to 25 Massapoag Way – Linda Justice – Tree in Pond**

Alan went out and met with Ms. Justice regarding a tree on her property that recently snapped and fell into Massapoag Pond. Alan gave her permission to remove the tree from the water, however, told her that she cannot remove the stump.

### **Open Space and Recreation Plan Update**



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The Administrative Assistant told members that she sent the final Open Space and Recreation Plan to the State for review.

### **Kendall Cranberry Bog Grant Update**

Matthew Beaton, Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs signed the Conservation Restriction and it is on its way back to the office for recording at the Registry of Deeds. The Administrative Assistant asked Attorney Falk to start the title search process in order to close on the property in May. Alan said that he updated Ms. Henry on where we are in the process.

### **Frye Field CR Update**

The next step with the Frye Field Conservation Restriction is for acceptance at the Annual Town Meeting. Alan plans to discuss the project with the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee before the Annual Town Meeting.

### **Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda**

#### **Status of Three Conservation Restrictions (CR) – Best, Howard’s Brook & Flat Rock**

The Administrative Assistant mailed the Best and Howard Brook’s Conservation Restrictions to the State for Matthew Beaton’s signature (Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs). She also sent the Flat Rock Hill’s CR to the State’s Legal Department for review. Once returned, the Commission will sign the final document, have the Dunstable Rural Land Trust and Board of Selectmen sign and then send it back to the State for Mr. Beaton’s signature.

#### **Timber Report – Alan Chaney**

Alan reported that the Kennedy/Proctor-Grater cut is complete although 10,000 feet of logs needs hauling out of the area. There were a couple of complaints about ruts and the road. Alan will insure that the areas are clean. Work has shifted to the Hogg parcel.

#### **Motorized Vehicles**

Alan said that there is talk on the “Next Door” website regarding the rules for motorized vehicles. The policy is published in the Town Report, the website and occasionally in the Neighbor to Neighbor; however, there seems to be some confusion with residents. Alan said that he would respond to residents.

Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed unanimously to close the meeting at 7:18pm.  
Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann  
Administrative Assistant  
Dunstable Conservation Commission