

1                                   **Sandown Conservation Commission**  
2   **Minutes**  
3   **July 10, 2014**

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5 **Date:** July 10, 2014

6 **Place:** Sandown Town Hall

7 **Members Present:** Paul Carey – Chair, Brian Butler, Kevin Major, Mark Traeger,

8 **Selectmen’s Liaison:** Mr. Jim Devine: Absent

9 **Environmental Consultant:** Mr. Gerry Miller: Present

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11 **Opening:** Mr. Carey opened the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

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13 **Approval of the 6/12/14 Minutes**

14 L85 Add “The Commission decided to send correspondence to the person who had the  
15 inquiry.”

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17 **MOTION:** Mr. Traeger made a motion to approve the 6/12/14 minutes as amended. Mr.  
18 Major seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

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20 **Approval of the 6/12/14 Non-Public Minutes**

21 L17 change decided to dedicated

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23 **MOTION:** Mr. Major made a motion to approve the 6/12/14 Non-public minutes as  
24 amended. Mr. Traeger seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion  
25 passed.

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27 **Timmy LaPorte – discussion regarding his Eagle Scout project**

28 Mr. Major noted for the board that Timmy is a scout with Boy Scout Troop 268. He was  
29 looking to do debris clean-up in the town forest along the wall and was looking for  
30 permission to do that. He wouldn’t take any new trees down, and he would have adult  
31 supervision. Mr. Major added that cleaning along the rock wall would aid in tick  
32 prevention. He also noted that there was debris in the parking area that needed to be  
33 cleared as well.

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35 **MOTION:** Mr. Major made a motion to allow Boy Scout Troop 268 to do debris clean-  
36 up in the town forest to aid in tick management. Mr. Butler seconded the motion. All  
37 members voted in favor. The motion passed.

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39 **Discussion regarding job description and posting for new Wetlands Scientist**

40 Mr. Miller provided a job description and a list of three potential organizations to list the  
41 ad with. He questioned whether the board wanted to include the budget or not. He felt it  
42 might be difficult to find a candidate at that rate. He noted that the new person may not  
43 need to attend both meeting to help keep costs down.

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45 Mr. Traeger suggested posting the notice, but leave off the budget and have them respond  
46 with a required compensation.

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48 Members agreed Ms. Cairns should move forward with posting the job description with  
49 the three agencies suggested by Mr. Miller as well as contacting Earl Sanford who was  
50 recommended by Mr. Keach.

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**52 Other Business**

53 Mr. Traeger invited Pam Gaudreau to attend the meeting. She lives next to the new  
54 Morrison Lane trail and helps to maintain it on a regular basis. She is interested in  
55 becoming a member of the Board.

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57 Ms. Gaudreau noted she is great with field work, but not as interested in the politics.

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59 Mr. Carey explained their responsibilities.

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61 **MOTION:** Mr. Traeger made a motion to accept Pam Gaudreau as a full-time member  
62 for a three-year term. Mr. Major seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

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**64 Community Garden**

65 Mr. Traeger brought in an old pump of his to use for the community garden well. They  
66 can pull water out of the well and use it to fill the water buffalo. The chief pulled water  
67 out and stated there is plenty of water in the well to fill the water buffalo. He noted that  
68 could be a short-term solution.

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70 Mr. Major noted they could rent a low power pump which would cost extra money, but  
71 would be much quicker.

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73 Mr. Butler noted the ideal scenario would be to bring the water buffalo to the well. We  
74 could rent a quick discharge pump and get it filled. Mr. Major noted they have a gas  
75 powered pump at the fire station that they could possibly borrow.

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77 Mr. Butler noted the current location of the water buffalo is high and that is what would  
78 cause issues, not so much the run.

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80 Mr. Traeger noted they could get some pipe and run it to the garden. The Faxon's were  
81 willing to help out.

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83 Mr. Butler noted the first step would be getting a new cover with a dry valve set up in it  
84 and attach a hand pump to it.

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86 Mr. Major noted he would be willing to talk to the fire chief and see if they could use  
87 their pump as a temporary solution.

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89 Mr. Traeger noted that they either need to shut off water to the garden or find a  
90 permanent solution that doesn't involve the fire department filling the water buffalo.

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92 Mr. Major noted that it's not just getting the fire truck and going and filling the water  
93 buffalo, they need to then go and refill the truck after, so it's several hours out of their  
94 day that they are volunteering to do.

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96 Mr. Miller suggested putting a hand pump on the well. Mr. Butler noted they range from  
97 \$125-\$400.

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99 **MOTION:** Mr. Traeger made a motion to appropriate \$600 from the conservation fund  
100 to purchase a hand pump and come up with an interim solution for the well at the  
101 community garden. Mr. Butler seconded the motion.

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103 *Discussion:* Mr. Traeger will look into the hand pump and a new cover and pipe for the  
104 well and Mr. Major will look into borrowing the gas powered pump from the fire  
105 department.

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107 All members voted in favor. Mr. Butler abstained. The motion passed.

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#### 109 **Mowing of Fremont Road field**

110 Ms. Cairns noted they didn't receive a response from the ads posted to find someone to  
111 mow the Minton Field. Mr. Butler put in a bid for \$250 to mow the Minton field.

112 Members agreed to hire Mr. Butler to mow the field.

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114 The board received an invoice from Atherton Excavation for the rental of the mower for  
115 Mr. Genuardo to mow the community garden and the town forest picnic area.

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117 **MOTION:** Mr. Traeger made a motion to pay Atherton Excavation \$125 to be paid from  
118 the conservation fund. Mr. Major seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The  
119 motion passed.

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#### 121 **Old Business**

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#### 123 **Town property signs and clean-up**

124 Mr. Traeger drove around to the various town properties to find locations for the signs to  
125 determine how many posts they needed to order.

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127 *Fremont Road town forest parking lot by Odell Road* – post sign on tree

128 *Red Barn* – there were trees to post the sign on, but members felt it should be posted on  
129 the building.

130 *Wells Village Road* – post sign on trees

131 *Wells Village Road Bridge (Mill site)* – post sign on trees

132 *Community Garden* – use a post and make the sign double-sided. Mr. Butler cautioned  
133 that it shouldn't block site lines to the road.

134 *Odell Road* – post sign on trees

135 *Morrison Lane* – members felt this location was adequately posted with the kiosk

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137 Mr. Major felt the Minton field needed a sign as well; there are too many no trespassing  
138 signs up there. Mr. Traeger noted in the past they've never wanted to promote it because

139 they were afraid of people tearing up the field. Mr. Carey noted they could always get a  
140 gate. Mr. Butler suggested putting it by the wall at the entrance on a post.

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142 Mr. Traeger will email Mr. Genualdo to see what he would charge for two posts.

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144 Mr. Traeger noted he spoke with Jack Cain who agreed to help keep Fremont Road Town  
145 forest kept up and would make sure the maps were stocked. He noted that Matt Russell  
146 would help clean-up Wells Village Road. Mr. Traeger would clean-up the Odell Road  
147 Parking Lot since there were two box springs dumped there.

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149 Mr. Butler noted he grabbed the notebook from the Fremont Road town forest and some  
150 of the paperwork needed to be updated. He would get that to Ms. Cairns to do.

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### 152 **Hersey Road**

153 Mr. Miller noted they needed to follow up with Tim Pelequin on the bounds that he was  
154 already paid to install at Hersey Road. He noted they could send a complaint to the board  
155 of licensure and they would inquire about the work. Just let them know that they've paid  
156 for work that hasn't been completed.

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### 158 **Non-Public Meeting**

159 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to go into a Non-Public Meeting according to  
160 RSA: 91: A: 3 II (d). Mr. Major seconded the motion. Members voted in the affirmative.  
161 The motion passed.

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163 Members came out of the Non- Public Meeting and stated that they sealed the Non-Public  
164 Minutes.

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166 *Roll Call:* Mr. Traeger, Mr. Butler, Mr. Carey, Mr. Major. *Guests:* Mr. Miller and  
167 Ms. Gaudreau

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### 169 **New Business**

170 The Planning Board sent the board a letter notifying them that they were updating the  
171 CUP regulations and asked the Conservation Commission for their input. Members  
172 agreed it should be put on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss.

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174 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Major seconded the motion.  
175 Members voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at  
176 8:53 p.m.

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178 Respectfully Submitted,

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Andrea Cairns