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# **Sandown Conservation Commission**

## **Minutes**

**March 28,2019**

**Date:** March 28,2019

**Place:** Sandown Town Hall

**Members Present:** Paul Carey- Chair, Jillian Winmill, Nick Ortins, Christy Ortins, Tom Sands, Mark Traeger, Bruce Gilday- environmental Consultant, Melyssa Tapley- Administrative Assistant

**Members Absent:** Brian Butler- Vice Chair, Pamela Gaudreau, Terry Knuuttunen

**Selectmen’s Liaison:** Mr. Darren Hudgins: Present

**Opening:** Mr. Carey opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Carey appoints Mr. Traeger in place for Mr. Butler and Ms. Ducharme in place for Mr. Knuuttunen.

### **Review of 3/14/2019 Minutes**

#### **Motion**

Ms. Winmill made a motion to accept the 3/14/2019 minutes as amended. Mr. Traeger second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in favor. The motion passed. (5-1-0) Mr. Traeger abstains.

### **Appointment of Chairs**

Appoint Christy Ortins as full -time member and appoint Terry Knuuttunen as alternate member.

#### **Motion:**

Mr. Traeger made a motion to appoint Christy Ortins as a full-time member and Terry Knuuttunen as an alternate member for 2 years. Mr. Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey calls the vote. All in favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

#### **Motion:**

Ms. Winmill made a motion to reappoint Christy Ortins as a member for 3 years. Mr. Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey calls the vote. All in favor. The motion passed (5-1-0) Mr. Ortins abstained.

42 **Motion:**

43 Mr. Mark made a motion to reappoint Jillian Winmill as a member for  
44 another 3 years. Mr. Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All  
45 in favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

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47 **Motion:**

48 Mr. Sands made a motion to reappoint Nick Ortins as a member for another  
49 3 years. Ms. Winmill second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in  
50 favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

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52 **Appointment of Vice Chair and Chair**

53 **Motion:**

54 Ms. Winmill made a motion to reappoint Brian Butler as Vice Chair of the  
55 Sandown Conservation Commission. Mr. Traeger second the motion. Mr.  
56 Carey called the vote. All in favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

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58 **Motion:**

59 Mr. Traeger nominates Jillian Winmill as the new Chair of the Sandown  
60 Conservation Commission. Mr. Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey calls  
61 the vote. All in favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

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63 Jillian Winmill is the new Chair of the Sandown Conservation Commission  
64 and Brian Butler is the Vice Chair.

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66 **Correspondence**

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69 **Budget Review**

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71 The Board of Selectman have asked the Commission to review their 2019  
72 budget to see if they can make any changes and to come before the Board of  
73 Selectman Monday to discuss the budget. The Commission went through  
74 each line item to discuss if there are any changes they can make. After  
75 reviewing each line item, the Commission has decided that they do not have  
76 anything to reduce and Ms. Winmill will go before the Board of Selectman  
77 Monday night and discuss the budget.

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79 **Fishing Derby**

80 Ms. Butler was unable to attend the meeting but has requested that the  
81 Commission vote on spending \$700 on fish for the fishing derby. There are  
82 been numerous prizes from different places going in and TD Bank will be

83 doing the tee shirts and a both again this year. The sign will be going up in  
84 front of Sal Genuardo's house this weekend. Ms. Butler will also be looking  
85 for volunteers to help set up the night before and help during the Fishing  
86 Derby. Ms. Tapley has already been in contact with the Police Department  
87 about having an Officer Detail there that day.

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89 **Motion:**

90 Mr. Traeger made a motion to allocate no more then \$700 dollars for the fish  
91 for the Fishing Derby out of Education and Awareness line item. Mr. Ortins  
92 second the motion. Ms. Winmill called the vote. All in favor. The motion  
93 passed. (6-0-0)

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95 **Old Business**

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97 **Merrimack Watershed ARM Grant**

98 Mr. Ortins was looking in to the Merrimack Watershed ARMS Grant and  
99 culverts or land in Town that go through the Merrimack Watershed and  
100 unable to find any locations that fall into the perimeters of the ARM Grant.  
101 The best place Mr. Ortins found that goes through the Merrimack Watershed  
102 are parts of Cub and Punch Pond.

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104 **Mosquito/Tick Talk May**

105 Ms. Winmill has been in contact with Dr. Moreau about coming out and  
106 doing a discussion about the Mosquito and Tick-borne illness. He will be  
107 coming out on May 18<sup>th</sup> to do a Tick Talk. Rock Church is having their  
108 Spring Clean up that day too.

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110 **Earth Day**

111 Earth Day is on April 20<sup>th</sup> this year. Ms. Winmill will be doing an Earth Day  
112 presentation at Playmates Learning Center on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Winmill did  
113 the Fishing for Trash presentation last year and asked the Commission if  
114 anyone has any new ideas or a different presentation she could do. Mr.  
115 Sands will also be doing a CITO Event on April 20th and do a trail clean up  
116 and remarking of the Morrison Lane Trails. The Girl Scouts will be doing  
117 their Earth Day Clean up Event again this year.

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119 **BioBlitz Application**

120 Ms. Winmill did some more reach on the Bio Blitz Application and the  
121 application is for Town wide participation. Ms. Winmill has reached out to  
122 the Boy, Cub, and Girl Scouts, Garden Club, Recreation and the Mother's  
123 Club to see if they want to go into this Application with the Commission.

124 Ms. Winmill asked the Commission if they had another suggestion for  
125 groups to go in on the application.

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### 127 **Bat Counting Hudgins Farm**

128 Ms. Winmill is still looking into having a state biologist come out with the  
129 bat count.

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### 131 **Natural Resource Inventory**

132 Ms. Winmill has nothing new to report on this meeting.

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### 134 **Mitigation List**

135 Mr. Gilday mentioned that each Town should have a mitigation list  
136 available. This list will be helpful to builder and developers when they are  
137 looking a piece of property to see what kind of wildlife, wetlands, etc. are in  
138 the area. Ms. Winmill suggested to have a list ready for the next meeting.

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### 140 **New Business**

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### 142 **Red Barn**

143 Mr. Sands was at the bonfire to get ride of all the bittersweet that was pulled  
144 from around the Red Barn. Fran Rosenau and another person approached  
145 Mr. Sands about having someone come out with a metal detector and go  
146 around the Red Barn property to see what they can find. Ms. Winmill is  
147 concerned that with metal detecting comes digging and does the  
148 Commission want someone digging around the property. Mr. Sands  
149 suggested that if they do this to have it be supervised by the SCC.

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### 151 **Motion:**

152 Mr. Sands made a motion to have the Heritage Commission have someone  
153 come out under the supervision of the SCC to metal detect around the Red  
154 Barn. Mr. Traeger second the motion. Ms. Winmill called the vote. All in  
155 favor. Mr. Sands rescindes his motion.

156 The SCC would like to see a plan before approving any metal detecting and  
157 digging around the Red Barn.

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### 160 **Patchwood Farm**

161 At the last meeting it was brought up to have Mr. Gilday go out and talk to  
162 the owners and look around. Mr. Gilday went out with Bob Bogosh the  
163 Building Inspector and gave them suggestions on erosion control.

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165 Mr. Traeger was contacted by Paula Martin to do public, private outreach on  
166 Bees. She would like to see if the SCC would partner with her and send out  
167 postcards with her name and info on it and have the SCC put a little  
168 something on it about Bee safety and protection. SCC is unable to do that  
169 because it would be endorsing a business and not endorsing Conservation.  
170 Mr. Sands suggested she contact the Garden Club about that.

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### 172 **Subaru Leave No Trace Program**

173 Ms. Winmill was contacted by the Subaru Leave No Trace Program and they  
174 are coming back to Sandown and would like to know what the SCC would  
175 like them to do a program on. They will be in Sandown on June 30<sup>th</sup>.  
176 They can do a kids-based program or do an adult based program. They offer  
177 a Youth Leader Education Training Program for 6 to 18 year olds.

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### 179 **Adjournment**

180 Ms. Ortins made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sands second the motion. All in  
181 favor. The motion passed. Meeting ADJOURNED at 8:54 p.m.

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183 Respectfully Submitted

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185 Melyssa Tapley