

MINUTES
Sanbornton Conservation Commission

Meeting Date and Time: Thursday, February 10th 2022 at 7:00 PM

Meeting Place: Town Offices, 573 Sanborn Rd, Sanbornton NH

Present: Dave Perry, Gail Morrison, Ray Masse, Karen Bordeau

Gail Morrison made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/9. Ray Masse seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Ray Masse made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/29. Gail Morrison seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

a. Trail maintenance update - No trail maintenance update. Dave says we do need more maps, Ray will provide.

b. Mitiguy easement update – The final signing of the easement docs has taken place. Nancy Mitiguy provided a donation in the form of a check for \$1,000 to the Land Use Change Tax Fund; she explained that the estimate for the property was actually \$1,000 more than it should have been and so is providing that in the form of a donation. Chair Crosby has written a thank-you letter to Nancy.

New Business

a. Wildlife corridor map - Karen provided wildlife corridor map updated from 2020 and 2021 using both seeing track and the google map that residents added to that was advertised online. Can be used for planning tool. Not a fixed map, can change over time but can be a valuable tool for subdivisions and developments in Town. Karen will share with the planning board.

b. Conservation plan - Karen explained that the Commission had worked on a Conservation Plan per the directive of the 2012 Master Plan and the previous Town Planner, but after it was drafted the Planning Board did not proceed with reviewing it. Now that an update to the Master Plan is taking place soon, the Commission wants to work on this again. Karen stated that members should look at the existing draft and make any changes, especially simplifying it, for including it into the next update of the Master plan. Ray noted that the current Conservation Plan reads as though that public body is being asked to vote on easements and that language should be revised.

Other Business

a. General other business - A check was made out to Warren Lake for his work on the Mitiguy easement for \$2,152. The Mitiguy easement itself was \$52,000. An Intent to Cut permit was provided for 401 Calef Hill Rd.

b. Mitiguy easement press release – Ray stated that someone suggested a press release for the Mitiguy easement purchase. He proposed having the next release of the newsletter to be dedicated to the easement purchase which can then be used by newspapers to draft their own press releases. He will reach out to Dick Ayers and Gail Morrison about starting work on that newsletter which is slated for release in April/May.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm. The next meeting is scheduled for March 10th.

Respectfully submitted, Audry Barriault