

**Conservation Commission Minutes
January 24, 2023, 6 p.m., Town Hall**

Present for the Conservation Commission: Bruton Strange, Chair; Grace Larson; Mary Kay Costello; Tony Somers; Brittany Nickerson.

Others Present: Peter Jeswald; Ken Ouimette; Ron Sweet; Robert Baker; Véronique Blanchard; Russell French; Kate French; Pamela Gilmore.

At 6:05 p.m. Grace convened the meeting

Approval of Minutes from January 10, 2023

On a motion from Grace to approve the minutes of January 10, 2023, Bruton seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Financial Matters

Invoices: *Recorder*– none.

As received–none.

Housing/Building Permits/site Visit

15 Ashfield Road, site visit Sunday, January 22, 2023, 1 p.m. Tony, Brittany, Grace, and Bruton were present. Hearing tonight at 6:10 pm.

Mail/Announcements

None.

Miscellaneous updates

- Check-in about the Nexamp site:
Grace did a site visit on January 13, 2023.
- Emergency certification to remove beaver dam on Pumpkin Hollow Brook, off Old Cricket Hill Road:
Tony expressed concern that this be done slowly to diminish the impact downstream. The possibility of providing educational information regarding dam removal and its impact to Ron Sweet was discussed.

Grace made a motion to approve this emergency certification, Brittany seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

- Discussion about Con. Com. positions:
To be continued at the next meeting on February 14th.

Hearing

15 Ashfield Road - proposed fire station addition and septic system installation.

Went over the details of NOI and the hearing was continued until February 28, 2023, at 6:10 pm.

Notes: The expectation of a better narrative and flushed-out drawings for next meeting, including clean-up plan, greenspace – anything/everything they think they may want. Can propose preferred erosion control or we can outline them. More info is better than less.

Grace proposed we sustain the hearing until February 28, 2023, Bruton seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 6 p.m. at Town Hall

At 7 p.m. on a motion from Grace to close the meeting, Bruton seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.