

Conway Conservation Commission Minutes
October 8, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall, General Purpose Room, 5 Academy Hill Road

Present for the Conservation Commission: Grace Larson, Chair; Louise Beckett, Mary Kay Costello

Others Present: Jeanne Thomas; Ed Stuart; Jim Lawton

At 6:00 p.m. Grace convened the meeting

On a motion from Grace to approve the Minutes of September 24, 2024, Louise seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Financial

- Invoices for Reimbursement for MACC classes to Jeanne Thomas: \$260.00
On a motion from Grace to approve the invoices in the amount of \$260.00 for reimbursement Mary Kay seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

- Invoice from *Greenfield Recorder*: Hay/Goshea - Tree trimming/topping: \$91.26
On a motion from Grace to approve paying the invoice for \$91.26, May Kay seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Building Permits/Site Visits/Inquiries

- Inquiry – Roaring Brook Campsite suitable for RV Campsite
1076 Roaring Brook is a 127 acre parcel and it's being sold. The inquiry is whether it's suitable for an RV camp. There are wetlands, so ConCom would likely need to take a look, but whether it's buildable is up to the Planning Board.

- Site Visit – 39 Boyden Road for COC
Need certificate of compliance - original problem was that the leach fields were too close to the wetlands. They did a NOI to reassess where to move the leachfields. Been there for some time, but thinking of downsizing and NOI puts a lein on the property.

Forest Cutting Plans

None

Notifications

- Update: DOT E. Cert for 101 River Street – needs ratification tabled until Grace can check records.

- Extension of E. Cert – Emerson Hollow Road Culvert – denied – No emergency

DEP denied it because it's not an emergency.

Hearings

6:10 p.m. – RDA – E. Stuart – Road Access – Continued

Grace opened the continued hearing at 6:08 as Ed was there. He has contacted Melissa Allis, So. Deerfield Water Supply; Sarah Carlan has not yet responded. Allis' area need the gravel the most. Lawyer advised Ed that though permission is requested as he has a right of way on his deed. Grace asked if there wasn't a deed restriction in regard to the right of way. Right of way passes through. There's a second right of way that would impact the building of a house. Would have to have fire access. If he's putting gravel down it's for access to the property. Needs 30' right of way. Currently ends at Dickson's. Looking to make it passable to enter/exit the property. Grace suggested that we continue the meeting until Tony returns on October 22. Rather than having Ed put gravel down in an area where it might be an issue and he'd have to remove it. On a motion from Grace to continue the hearing to the 22nd, Mary Key seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

6:20 p.m. – Certificate of Compliance – 39 Boyden Road

The certificate of compliance can be issued as there is no problem. On a motion from Grace moves, Mary Kay seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Other Unannounced Business

- DCR Grants for Invasive Plant removal

There is a question as to whether the Town applies for a DCR grant if it can be used for removal of invasives on private property or only on town-owned property.

At 6:40, on a motion from Grace to adjourn, Mary Kay seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.