



**TOWN OF  
BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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**Minutes  
Tuesday, July 11, 2023  
Conservation Commission**

**Present: Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman, (Voting)**  
**Tom Rogers, Member, (Voting)**  
**Jerry Jaworski, Member, (Voting)**  
**Brendan Denehy, Selectboard Representative, (Voting)**  
**Drew Kellner, Alternate (Voting for Jay)**  
**Roy Wallen, Alternate**  
**Greg Martin, Alternate**  
**Sean McNair, Alternate (arrived at 8pm)**  
**Brain Rater, Alternate Selectboard Representative**  
**Absent: Jay Chrystal, Vice Chairman**

**Buddy** read the Hybrid rules:

- Any meeting attendees participating via Zoom are asked to activate the “mute” function until called upon by the chair.
- Meeting attendees via Zoom must use the “raise hand” function under the “reactions” tab to participate in the meeting – and will be permitted to comment once and if called upon by the chair.
- Anyone providing comments during the meeting must first identify their name and address.
- The “chat” function for Zoom participants will be disabled by the meeting administrator or otherwise not addressed; “chat” items will not be part of the public meeting/record.
- Meeting attendees via Zoom will not be listed as attendees in the minutes (except Board members)
- The meeting’s physical location is the official meeting room. Should technical difficulties arise with the remote portion, the meeting will continue at the physical location.

**Buddy** asked Drew to Vote for Jay. **Drew** agreed.

## Minutes

**Brendan made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023, public and non-public minutes as written. Jerry seconded. Vote yes 5-0.**

## Palmer Bartell Cabin repair and long term status (Jerry)

N/A

## Camp Flannery discussion Continued from June (Jerry)

**Jerry** gave a synopsis of the discussion of the pit toilet and other Camp Flannery projects. **Tom** said there was a prior meeting and there may be movement via the scouts. **Jerry** brought up responsibility for cleaning the area and if the scouts would be open to cleaning the camp annually. **Tom** brought up the house and mentioned that the upper door of the house was screwed shut. He recommends either shutting the first floor door or sealing the door better to the exterior for leaves and debris entering the house. **Tom** will reach out to the scouts to see what days may be available to clean and pile up detritus on the property.

## General Business

### **Sargent Trail update (Jerry)**

**Jerry** said the maps have been updated. **Jerry** asked if the access to Sargent Trail via lot H-77-5 was deeded. **Drew** asked if it would make better sense to locate the spur tail of the end of Sargent Rd. **Brendan** asked if there was parking signage and mentioned we should sign the parking area at the end of Sargent Rd to clearly identify our land and access. **Drew** said we should update our maps with the Sargent Rd Spur coming off the end of Sargent Rd to the main trail and change the spur trail onto H-77-5 as emergency access only. **Jerry** said he would like to get the definition from the deed prior to making a final decision. **Brendan** reiterated that the area should be signed and clearly marked.

### **Pedestrian count in PB (Buddy)**

**Buddy** said no information is yet available from the NRPC. **Tom** said that the Birch hill trail to Hood Road may be a good next place to count. **Buddy** mentioned that a winter count would be beneficial for potential future grants and funding purposes.

### **Sargent Trail**

**Jerry** said that there are some washouts that will need to be repaired and we will need some gravel at some point to get the trails fixed. This should be addressed at our next BCC meeting.

### **Milfoil (Buddy)**

**Buddy** said the divers have been working their way around the lake removing milfoil and there is quite a bit of growth this year. Next year we may need to treat chemically. The lake host has been doing a good job keeping the boat launch covered.

### **Capital Improvement Plan (Buddy)**

**Buddy** asked if we would be seeing anything from the CIP. **Tom** asked if the Cabin in the woods is something they should ask the Scouts if they want to work on it. **Brendan** said we may want to send them an email with a summary of what we may be looking at for funds in the

future. It will be a form of documentation/paper trail if funds may be needed in the future. **Tom** asked what the original arrangement says the BCC should receive revenue from the Town. **Drew** said that we are a self-sustaining organization, and we don't have access to Town funds. **Tom** clarified that we do have historical buildings on our land and that we should think about gathering funding for his in the future. It was decided to send the Planning Board a write up of what we may need funds for in the future.

### **Non-public**

**Tom made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (d) for the discussion of possible land acquisition and RSA 91-A:3, II (c) for reputation and immediately adjourn after the meeting. Seconded by Jerry. Roll call vote Buddy, Tom, Jerry, Brian, Brendan, Drew, Roy, Sean and Greg all voted yes.**

**Brendan made a motion to come out of the non-public session and seal the minutes. Seconded by Jerry. Roll call vote Buddy, Tom, Jerry, Brian, Brendan, Drew, Roy, Sean and Greg all voted yes.**

### **Public Discussion**

**Tom moved that for the remainder of the public meeting all members will be voting. Jerry seconded, unanimously voted in the affirmative.**

**Roy made a motion to make a recommendation to the Selectboard for Dana Ketchen to serve as an alternate to the BCC. Seconded by Drew. Vote 4-4. Motion failed to pass.**

### **Adjourn**

**Drew made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm. Sean seconded. Vote yes 9-0.**

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Minutes prepared by Greg Martin

Next Conservation Commission meeting will be held on August 8, 2023