

NEWTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DATE: Thursday, June 3, 2021 @ 6:30pm

Location: 2 Town Hall Rd (large hall)

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order at 6:32pm via Roll Call Vote: Chair, Alicia Geilen, Vice Chair Nancy Slombo, Sandy Estabrook, and Molly Wilson. There was no attendance via Zoom.

Correspondence:

- Notice of Decision, Newton Planning Board, for 44A Bear Hill Road (Michael J. Bell) for allowing a reduction in lot line setbacks. Approved with one condition.
- Notice of Decision, Newton Planning Board, for 31 Kenwood Drive (Carryl and John McCarthy) for Conditional Use Permit for an Accessory Apartment. Approved with conditions.

Meeting Minutes:

- Motion by Slombo to accept as written Meeting Minutes of 5/6/21 meeting. Seconded by Estabrook. Passed unanimously.
- Motion by Wilson to accept as written Meeting Minutes of 5/14/21 emergency meeting. Seconded by Sulmbo. Passed unanimously

Old Business:

- Peanut Trail Kiosk Update - No new news.
- Hazardous Tree Removal at Quaker Grove Cemetery - Work is done. Awaiting invoice.
- Status of Beaver Flow Level Device on Peanut Trail - Geilen stated that she corresponded with Best Way Wildlife and was told that the angle of the outlet pipe was as needed for proper maintenance of the water level.
- Failed Culvert at Busch Farm – Geilen to ask the Road Agent Pivero for a quote to repair/replace the culvert.
- Property Survey of Lower Road Parcel – The Commission asked that McCarthy give an update on getting a quote to survey and place bounds at the next meeting.

New Business:

- Conservation Secretary's Annual Performance Evaluation – The Commission discussed the draft Performance Evaluation for Trisha McCarthy. Motion by Estabrook to approve the Performance Evaluation as written and submit to the Town Administrator. Seconded by Wilson. Passed unanimously.
- Meeting for July 2021 – Geilen noted that she cannot attend a meeting on the scheduled day (7/1/21) due to personal commitments. Slombo and Estabrook can attend, so if McCarthy, and/or Ex-officio Selectman Michaels can attend, there will be a quorum. As such, the meeting will be posted as usual, which will be led by Vice Chair Slombo.

Motion to adjourn by Slombo at 6:55pm. Seconded by Estabrook. Passed

unanimously. Respectfully, *Alicia Geilen*, Chair