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BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
*Conservation Commission*

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**Minutes  
Tuesday, July 13, 2021  
Conservation Commission  
Meeting Start at or about 7:00 PM**

**Present:** Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman  
Jay Chrystal, Vice Chairman  
Tom Rogers, Member  
Jerry Jaworski, Member  
Roy Wallen, Alternate  
Dana Ketchen, Selectboard Representative  
Drew Kellner, Alternate Selectboard Representative

**Absent:** Sean McNair, Alternate and Eric DiVirgilio, Alternate

Buddy called the meeting to order and read the rule for the Hybrid meeting:

- 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.

### Minutes ( June 8, 2021 and June 22, 2021)

**Dana** made a motion to approve the Public minutes from the June 22, 2021 meeting and the Public and non- public minutes of the June 8, 2021 meeting. **Tom** seconded. Vote yes 5-0. **Dana** abstained from the vote for the 6/8/2021 minutes as she was not in attendance at that meeting.

### Aidan Maguire – Lake Host

**Aidan** said this year they have five employees and that includes himself as the Lake Host Coordinator. They started this year on June 10<sup>th</sup>. They have performed about 230 inspections already. So far, they have only found milfoil on boats that are going into the lake. The majority of the boats are coming from the Nashua River. **Dana** asked what the procedure is. **Aidan** said they need to ask permission to inspect the boats and to removed anything they might find on the boat before entering the Lake. If they pull a sample off the boat, they take a picture of it and fill out a questionnaire and sent it to the State for identification. **Drew** asked if the Boats are washed off after they are removed from the Lake. **Aidan** said there is no hose available at the Lake, so they educate the boat owners of the importance of rinsing the boat when they get home. They are working at the Lake in two four hour shifts a day 8:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. **Buddy** asked if Aidan would email the Board a schedule of the employees shifts. **Aidan** agreed. The Board thanked Aidan.

### Milfoil Update

**Buddy** said Melendy Pond was treated for Milfoil and Amy Smagula (NH DES) should be showing up to see how the treatment worked this time. **Buddy** said they had two divers at Lake Potanipo pulling Milfoil around the grove area and they also worked their way down North Stream toward the Beaver dam.

### Wallace Brook Dam (Tad Putney)

**Tad** said every year they are required to do a mock drill of what would happen of there was a Dam breach. They call 911 and report the dam was breached and all the emergency departments respond along with State. After the drill this year he and Mike (BPW Director) went to look at the Wallace Brook area off Averill Road where there is water back up due to a beaver dam in that area. there are two 6 foot culverts and about 8 feet in front of that is a beaver bam about 7 feet tall and about 75 to 100 feet wide. He would like to have Mike start to remove that beaver dam little by little until they can get the water level in this area down about 5 feet or so. He wanted to run this by the Conservation Commission first before any work started to remove the dam. Once we get the dam down far enough, they could add a beaver box. **Dana** asked where this is located exactly. **Buddy** said on Wallace Brook Road two houses up on the right. **Tad** said Mike (BPW Director) could reach it with a backhoe from the road, but he didn't want to start any work out there without running it by the Conservation Commission. **Buddy** said he would rather not see him use a backhoe to pull the dam. It would be safer if he pulled it by hand. This reduces the risk of grabbing onto too much with the backhoe and pulling out that whole entire dam which would be an issue. **Tom** said they need to look at more commercial beaver deceiver devices that would really work better than the wooden beaver box. **Tad** said he would be in favor of a fix That would last more than one year. **Dana** asked how they planned to drop the water level. **Drew** said slowly remove a bit of the dam and then the water will spill over then go back the next day and do it again.

have deed references and he is unsure if they are under the Conservation purview or just owned by the town. He will resend that email out to the Board.

### **Talbot Taylor Preserve**

Drew said he has spoken to Matt and he is under the impression that in the deed of dedication the first list of restrictions doesn't apply to the landowner, but the second list does. He is recommending that they seek legal counsel for this he is recommending Tom Masland with Ransmier & Spellman PC. He knows conservation law this would be a cost of about \$1,500 to \$2,000. Tom made a motion to get legal advice from Ransmier & Spellman PC after the legal review of the Talbot Taylor Conservation deed not to exceed \$2,000 to be paid from the Conservation Commission general fund. Jay seconded. Vote yes 5-0.

### **PB Case review**

#### **2021.2: E-3-1, Aero Properties LLC Subdivision Plan.**

The Purpose of this plan is to create two lots out of lot E-3-1. The new lot will consist of 14.165 acres ( 236,200 sf of dry land and 380,800sf of wet land). The Board review the plan and after a brief discussion they had no comments for the Planning Board regarding this subdivision.

#### **2021.3: F-18-8, F-18-9, Bogdan & Maguire Family Trust Lot Line Adjustment**

The purpose of this plan Is to depict an equal area lot line adjustment between lots F-18-8 & Lot F-18-9. Parcels A (consists of 1.23 acres) & B (consists of 1.23 acres) are not to be considered separate lots and will become contiguous parts of lot F-18-8 and F-18-9. After a brief discussion the board had no comments for the Planning Board.

#### **2021.4: E-16, Fait Property Management LLC subdivision Plan**

The purpose of this plan is to subdivide Lot E-16 (3.167 acres) into two lots, one residential/agricultural lot (1.885 acres) and one commercial/industrial lot (1.282 acres). After a brief discussion the Boards comment was due to the delineated wetlands on proposed lot E-16-1 the Board would suggest the leach field stay within the 4K box is on the plan submitted.

### **The BCC Fund**

Buddy said the BCC fund has at total of \$439,385.85. the Ghost Train balance is \$49,913.00. Drew said they need to keep at least two years of bond payments in the account. Jay said they have about \$150,000 available to use if needed.

### **Ghost Train**

Buddy said in December the BCC received a check in the amount of \$6,204.16 for the Ghost Train Race that was canceled last year.

### **Non-Public**

Jay made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (d) for purpose of land acquisition and RSA 91-A:3 II (c) reputation and immediately adjourn after. Dana Seconded. Roll call vote Buddy, Jay, Tom, Jerry, Dana, Roy, and Drew all voted yes.

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

### Cider Mill Trail Head (Drew)

Drew said they spoke at the last meeting about the concrete pad that the ADU compliant picnic table sits on needs some work. He recommends that the Commission seeks bids to put a couple inches over it and smooth it out to make it safer. Drew said he spoke to a concrete guy and he suggested a minimum of two inches. The topsoil that they will need to smooth out the area around it is already there they will just need to move it. We are reaching a point where this area is unsafe and this needs to be done. The Board agreed.

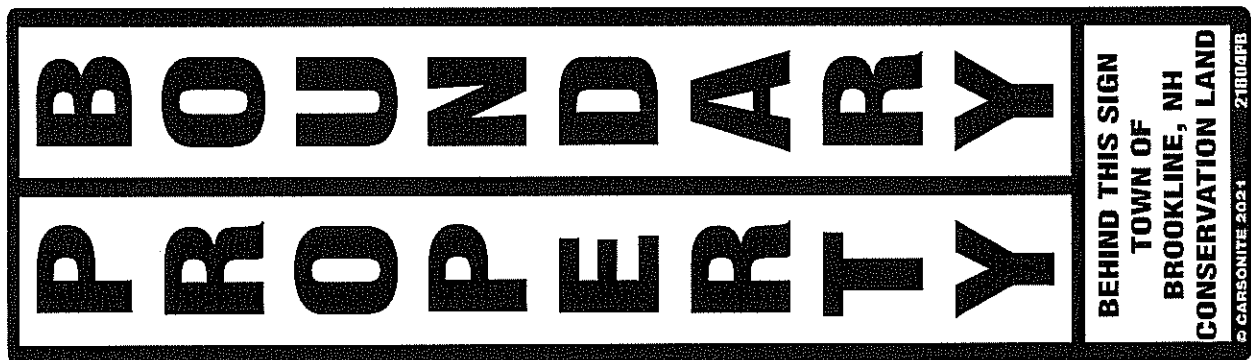
### Cider Mill Mowing

Drew said he has mowed this area twice now and he is willing to continue to mow it more often due to the grass growing so fast. people have complained about ticks at this location when the grass is too high. He did have a neighbor ask why they were mowing so often they were concerned with the pollinators and said it is better to leave it untouched longer. Drew said he believes the pollinator gardens are doing well in this area.

### Boundary Markers (Drew)

Drew said they have some boundaries that are a confusing and he has designed the Boundary marker sticker (see below) it will be 2.375" x 11.75" Meridian Land Services said they will purchase the tool to install the fiberglass posts that go with these boundary markers stickers. The more you buy the less they cost. They cost about \$20 to \$30 dollars per post. Drew said he has reached out to Jerry and Tom to see what parcels could use these boundary markers the most. Jay asked if these are reflective. Drew said they maybe a bit iridescent. He has chosen a post color of orange because it will be easier to see. There is also a freight cost involved. Tom made a motion to approve the design of the boundary marker. Dana seconded. Vote yes 5-0.

Dana said if we buy in bulk where will we store these. Drew said in the future he would like to rebuild the building on lot K-34, and they can store them there. For now, he said he is willing to store them at his house. Not sure of the plan for the annex currently. Tad said there will be a discussion at the Selectboard meeting on July 26, 2021 about the use of the annex building.



### NRPC Map update

Drew asked if they were looking to create a Conservation map the covers all the conservation land not just the towns but Beaver Brook, and Nissitissit River land Trust. They could all be listed under different colors. NRPC doesn't automatically update maps. Tom said we would need to send the information to them.

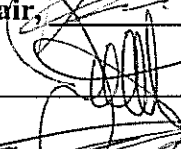
Jerry said he can create maps with the different layers or colors if that is what they are looking to do. Jerry said he had email out a list of lots to the Board a while ago with 10 or 11 lots that didn't



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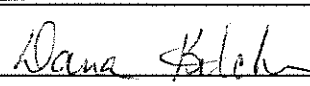
Jay made a motion to adjourn at 10:20pm. Tom seconded. Vote yes 5-0.

Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chair, 

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Minutes prepared by Kristen Austin

Next Conservation Commission meeting will be held on August 10, 2021