

WILLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

April 21, 2021 (Remote Meeting via Zoom)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order @ 7:00 PM

Roll Call/Seating of Alternates: P. Andersen, K. Demers, C. Jordan, J. Kulig, M. Schreiber, R. Shabot.

Approval of Minutes of March 17, 2021: On a motion by KD/RS “**The minutes of 3/17/21 were approved as written**”. **6 Ayes, 1 abstention.**

Present to Speak: NA

Finance: The Fenton-Ruby Mgmt. Plan was approved with the use of Park and Rec funds to contract with Connwood Foresters.

New Business was moved to the top of the Agenda.

- A. Burma Road: A site walk was held on 4/19/21 to view a 7+ acre parcel of land abuts FRP. The property is not a high priority to WCC at this time.
- B. Abutter interest in FRP field areas: WCC reviewed a letter forwarded from the BOS from a homeowner whose property abuts FRP. PA will convey to the Board of Selectman the FRP Management Plan section 4.4.1: Deed Restrictions in regards to conveyance of Dedicated Open Space.
- C. Correspondence: PA read correspondences received.

Old Business/Status Reports:

- A. **Mason Road Open Space Acquisition Update:** The next round of **DEEP** Open Space Grant round has not been announced. KD will begin a draft of the Open Space Grant application
- B. **Fenton –Ruby Park Mgmt. Plan:** The Fenton –Ruby Park Mgmt. Plan will be update by Connwood Foresters, Inc.
- C. **Knowlton /Talmadge Mgmt. Plan.** After reviewing the current Management Plan and the recommended forest practices within the report, WCC determined not to take any action at this time
- D. **Easement Property monitoring:** No report.

E. Properties Management:

1. Fenton Ruby/ Drobney Sanctuary:

2. Knowlton Preserve/ Talmadge Tract: Tabled

3. Trail Maps: Trail maps have been distributed.

4. Park workday/recruitment day: May 22, 2021 from 10a.m. –noon is the date for the work day/recruitment day.

F. Town Development: Love's Travel Park will break ground this spring.

G. Collaborative Organizations: Tabled

H. Willington Farm Tour: On a motion by KD/RS "WCC will provide financial support in the amount of \$100.00 to the Willington Farm Tour 2021." Unanimous vote

I. Daley Award: On a motion by KD/RS: "WCC appropriates up to \$100.00 for the purchase of the 2021 Daley Award plaque". Unanimous vote.

The Daley Award will be presented at the above mentioned Park workday May 22, 2021. (Item # **4. Park workday/recruitment day**)

J. Other: NA

Next Meeting: May 19, 2021

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned @ 9:43 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Marilyn Schreiber, recording

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