



**Mason
Conservation
Commission
Minutes – D R A F T**

July 8, 2015
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm

In Attendance

- Barbara DeVore
- Bob Dillberger
- Anna Faiello
- Liz Fletcher
- Bob Larochele
- Rosanna Nadeau

Voted unanimously to accept June minutes.

Accepted a check for \$400.00 from LCHIP for timely monitoring reports, money to be deposited into the Stewardship Fund.

Received a check from Dennis Graham in the amount of \$1,350.00 for rent on Old Ashby Rd. property July thru September, money to be deposited into the Old Ashby Road Fund.

Liz moved we transfer \$6,000.00 from the Old Ashby Road Fund to the Land Protection Fund to finance the latest Mitchell Brook bond payment. Passed unanimously.

Agreed to have Bob Larochele's laptop registered with People's Bank to allow read-only on-line access to our accounts so we can review the latest balance directly as needed.

Discussed amended bids on Mason Quarry access road improvements. Liz moved we accept the bid from Bentley Management Group, Inc. (Amos White). Barbara seconded. Passed unanimously. Liz suggested we also ask Amos to install the new RR Trail gates while he's there doing the access road work.

Met with Kate and Jeff Messer to discuss the new trail they've been building on the Florence Roberts Forest. They wanted to know how to mark the trail. They suggested painted horseshoes nailed to trees; everybody liked that idea.

Received email from Tony Lombardo and Melissa Mudrick approving the proposed wording for the Mason Quarry parking easement on their land, with one addition: would like to include a survey of the area. The Commission will have a survey done by a licensed surveyor to define the area of the easement.

Met with Dennis Graham to renew the Old Ashby Road lease. Agreed to keep the rent the same given the amount of maintenance Dennis has been doing. Liz moved that we renew the lease with no change to the terms. Bob D. seconded. Passed unanimously. Bob L. will update the lease document with proper dates and signature lines for signing by Dennis and the BOS. Barbara gave us an update on the planned electrical panel upgrade (including a generator connection). Will Wildes will be doing the work sometime this summer.

Liz mentioned there's trash accumulating at the fire pond access road on the Potter land on Greenville Rd. Agreed we need a gate or cable to block access so folks can't drive in. Discussed asking the fire dept. to cover this expense given that the road was put in at their request.

Barbara mentioned that Old Home Day is coming up on Sept. 17 so we should start thinking about our display.

Discussed recommendation from Piscataqua Land Conservancy lawyer Jed Callen to add a conservation easement to the Bronson Potter land gift. He believes Bronson's will alone does not provide permanent protection because it depends on the diligence of future conservation commissions. More discussions to come...