

Bristol Conservation Commission

May 29, 2019

Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 7:00 PM

Members Present: Sandra Heaney, Janet Cote, Richard Batchelder, Karen Bemis, Carroll Brown, Christina Goodwin

Absent: Bonnie MacGillivray Blount

Sandra Heaney opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Richard Batchelder motioned to approve the minutes of April 3, 2019 as written, seconded by Karen Bemis, and approved with a vote of **4 in Favor – 0 Opposed – 1 Abstention**. The motion passed.

New Business:

Introduction of New Minute Taker:

Christina Goodwin introduced the new minute taker to the Conservation Commission. The Commission thanked Kathy Vogan for her service, wished her well in her future endeavors, and welcomed Brett Parenteau.

Conservation Easement deed:

Sandra Heaney reported that the Worthen Easement on Old Stage Road had boundary lines that were incorrect and needed to be updated. A new deed is required to be signed by the Commission and the Select Board and all members involved.

Unfinished Business:

Levesque Case Update Shore Drive:

Christina advised the Commission that the Town has denied Ms. Levesque her request for an appeal. A denial email was sent to Ms. Levesque that advised her that she could attempt an appeal without the Town's permission, visit the Select Board at a meeting or remove the area in question and filing a remediation plan. The land along Shore Drive is owned by the Town, therefore, Ms. Levesque would have needed to apply for permits to do what she did with the Town and the State. Sandra said she wants the project to go before the Planning Board and feels that Ms. Levesque should go through the process. Janet said she feels it should be pitched away from the Lake if it stays but the Department of Environmental Services (DES) ordered Ms. Levesque to remove it. The Commission is against this patio area and wants it removed. Richard asked what happens if they don't respond to the letter. Sandra said the State would then follow up and Ms. Levesque has not commented. Christina will let the Select Board know if Ms. Levesque reaches back out to them.

Plankey Spring Signage:

There were no updates for the signage.

Mason Westfall Plaque update:

Sandra reported that the new plaque can be the same size as the existing plaque. The Commission reviewed the new plaque wording. She said the cost is \$645.00 from a company in Manchester. The proposed plaque will read as follows:

The Breck-Plankey Spring
Provided by the Bristol Conservation Commission for public enjoyment in 1982
Dedicated in 2019
In Memory and Appreciation of Mason Westfall
For his decades of Service to the Commission And his Stewardship of the spring

The Commission would like to verify what Mason's wife Jane thinks and what date she would like to see the plaque dedicated. Janet Cote motioned to approve the wording for the new plaque, seconded by Richard Batchelder, with the vote **5 in Favor – 0 Opposed – 0 Abstentions**. The motion passed.

Communications:

Other General Correspondence:

Concern – Cummings Beach:

The Commission received a letter regarding the Land Resources Management File # 2010-02470, Cummings Beach West Shore Road, Tax Map 108/Lot 100. Christina reported that the Cummings Beach project was not built to plan in 2010 and needs to be corrected. She said the Commission does not need to respond unless there is something they would like to add. There was an inspection performed by DES, because of a complaint about improperly installed drainage along the southeast end of the beach causing erosion and sedimentation. Carroll Brown said it is an erosion problem and should be a simple fix for the Town.

Plankey spring testing:

Christina reminded the Commission that we need to begin the quarterly testing for the Plankey Spring. Carroll Brown said he would pick up the test tubes in Concord so they can do the water testing.

The next meeting will be August 7, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment:

Richard Batchelder motioned to adjourn, seconded by Karen Bemis. The vote was **5 in Favor – 0 Opposed – 0 Abstained**.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Vogan