

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

May 09, 2018 7:00 pm to 10:15 pm

In Attendance

- Barbara DeVore
- Liz Fletcher
- Bob Larochelle
- Ann Moser

Voted unanimously to accept April minutes as amended.

Voted unanimously to pay invoice from Apple Meadow Hardware for \$22.88 for hardware for Florence Roberts Forest culvert installation from the Conservation General Fund.

Met with Harry Spear (Forestry Committee) who reported that as stewards of Town owned tax deed property they would like to work with the Commission to provide financial and technical support for open land management, recreation trails and invasive control. We plan to discuss specifics at our June meeting to bring to the Forestry Committee at their next meeting on the 3rd Thursday of July.

Discussed removal of a large fallen tree on G-83 which is blocking the trail. Bob L. will check on Saturday.

Met with Matthew Robinson-Liu to ask permission to use the field on G-83 for archery practice. Commission gave permission.

Barbara found a volunteer to build a kiosk for the RR trail dedication ceremony planned for Saturday October 13th at 2 pm.

Received letter from Marshall Buttrick (Greenville Cons. Com.) asking Liz to share her water testing data to assist with tracking possible sources of pollution in the area.

Liz presented a revised version of the Conservation Plan which we reviewed and made comments. Barbara will make final edits for Liz to incorporate in the text, and then the draft will be ready for review by Planning Board and Select Board.

We discussed Bob D's choice of pre-primed "Lifespan" plantation grown Radiata pine from New Zealand to build conservation land signs. The Commission unanimously approved the purchase of this wood for the project.

Discussed inviting Doug Harris (Indian historian) to Mason to give a lecture and identify a formation of rocks on Bronson Potter's land.

Discussed details for the 250th anniversary 5k road race (see attached map).

Discussed Eathan Belair's (county forester) visit to Mason to lead a walk at the Florence Robert's Forest in September.