

## Conway Conservation Commission

### **WEDNESDAY, November 11th, 2020 6:30P.M. GoToMeeting**

Present: Chair Rob Adair, Vice Chair Nat Lucy, Treasurer Linda Kearney, Peter Minnich, Dan Lucy, David Weathers, Sarah Freschette, Abby King, Tim Nolan, Bob Cottrell, David Smolen, and Abby King

Absent: Pat Ferland, Sarah Freschette

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rob Adair at 6:32pm.

#### **1. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes for the **October 14th** commission meeting were approved unanimously after a correction to the name of the Abenaki lands.

Linda Kearney motioned to accept the minutes. Peter Minnich seconded.

Motion passed, with Nat Lucy abstaining.

#### **2. Public Comment**

No public comment was given.

#### **3. Reports and Other Business**

##### **Interpretive Signs at Redstone Quarry**

The commission was joined by David Smolen, the director of the Conway Public Library, and Bob Cottrell, the curator of the Henney History Room. They approached the commission with a request to add interpretive signs to the Redstone Quarry area, to educate the public about the history of the location. The proposed plan would add 5-7 interpretive signs, as well as a few navigational signs to make the area easier to explore.

The main concerns of the commission were the potential for vandalism (as the area isn't very well travelled), and the funding. The commission decided to take stock of the site to figure out where the signs should go, how many were needed, and the funds that would be needed to put them in place.

##### **Hubbard-Davis Cleanup Project**

Rob Adair, chair, provided the commission with a sketched map of the Hubbard-Davis property. The main areas of concern were a cabin in disrepair and the erosion of the main trail. It was decided that the dilapidated building would be removed, with David Weathers checking with town manager Tom Holmes to determine where the remains would be taken. As it is a fairly modern building, the initial concerns of the commission of the loss of history were

assuaged. As the commission had already finished its budget for the coming year, it was decided that it would be best to have the town itself remove it. As for the trail, Rob explained that it would be short work with an excavator. Nat Lucy put forward a motion to ask the town to remove the building, seconded by Linda Kearney. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Selectmen's Report: David Weathers**

David Weathers reported to the commission that there wasn't much to update them on, other than the hiring out of some proposed culvert work.

### **Member Roundtable**

Rob informed the commission that someone had painted/blazed the Lucille's Loop trail with green paint. This in and of itself is not an issue, but the commission noted that it would be concerning if this activity were to continue or inspire other renegade trailblazers.

Peter noted that the water level in Pequawket Pond was significantly down, and David explained that the water level was in the hands of the state.

After a brief discussion about the amount of projects that are being approved in the floodplain, Linda moved to adjourn with Nat seconding.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.