

Conway Conservation Commission

WEDNESDAY, October 13th, 2021 6:30P.M. GoToMeeting

Present: Chair Rob Adair, Vice Chair Nat Lucy, Treasurer Linda Kearney, Peter Minnich, Larry Huemmler, Tim Nolin

Absent: Selectmen's Representative David Weathers

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rob Adair at 6:30pm.

1. Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the **September 8th** commission meeting were approved unanimously with one edit: porter potties became portar potties.

Linda Kearney motioned to accept the minutes, with Nat Lucy seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Comment

No public comment was given.

3. Reports and Other Business

Objectives for the Marshall Conservation Area Forest Management Plan

Tim Nolin approached the commission to determine what the goals for the management of the Marshall Conservation Area would be. It was decided that the goals would largely be modeled after the East Conway forest management land plan, and that the goals would be as follows:

1. An improvement of forest conditions using sound, sustainable silvicultural practices while observing and maintaining aesthetics.
2. Conservation and improvement of soil and water resources.
3. Maintenance and improvement of wildlife habitat.
4. An enhancement and encouragement of educational opportunities.

It was also noted that the Marshall Conservation Area would need to be approached slightly differently as it has high recreational usage. The only unique requirement of the MCA outside of its recreational usage is a snowmobile trail that paths through it, and this was noted.

Selectmen's Report

David Weathers had a conflict with the meeting (another town meeting was being held), so there was no report.

Member Roundtable

The commission then had its roundtable, the first issue of which was the impact of the mountain bike enduro race upon the trails (there was very limited impact). Next came a brief discussion on the Black Cap-connector trail, in which tank traps had been installed. These were meant to encourage bikers to only ride up the trail, rather than down. Finally, there was a discussion about some new signage on Potter Road, as it was unclear how the sign came to be.

Linda moved to adjourn at 7:05, with Peter seconding. The motion passed unanimously.