

Grantham Conservation Commission

MINUTES January 06, 2020

300 ROUTE 10 SOUTH, GRANTHAM, NH

MEETING CALLED BY	Chairman Pro Tem Richard Hocker
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting of the Conservation Commission
FACILITATOR	Chairman Pro Tem Richard Hocker
NOTE TAKER	
COMMISSION MEMBERS	Susan Buchanan, Richard Hocker, Rich Kaszeta, Craig McArt,
ABSENT	John Eylander, Dennis Ryan, David Wood
SELECTBOARD REP	Peter Garland
OTHER VISITORS	

Hocker called the Grantham Conservation Commission to order on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:11 p.m. The meeting was held in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room at Grantham Town Hall located at 300 Route 10 South in Grantham, NH.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 7, 2019 MEETING

DISCUSSION		
Due to the nonavailability of the 18 Nov 2019 minutes, no action was taken.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

OLD BUSINESS – FISHER LOT

DISCUSSION		
Cemetery: Ryan was absent so this item was passed.		
Tree Farm Inspection - Approval of payment for Turner in the amount of \$130 was made on a motion made by Buchanan and seconded by Kaszeta. No action was taken due to no invoice.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None until invoice found		

OLD BUSINESS – TOWN FOREST

DISCUSSION		
Action to relocate Mountain Road is progressing slowly. No comments have been received from the abutters.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

OLD BUSINESS – Trail Finder

DISCUSSION		
Correction to background Google map: Kaszeta continues to build the required files and plans to submit the corrections to Google in January.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Complete the map revision request to Google	Kaszeta	ASAP

OLD BUSINESS – Shoreland Cutting Applications

DISCUSSION		
No new applications		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

NEW BUSINESS Lot Sale

DISCUSSION		
The list of lots proposed for sale by the Town were discussed. No issues were raised about any of the lots.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Notify Melissa White that the Conservation Commission is okay with sale.	Richard Hocker	ASAP

NEW BUSINESS – Bio Blitz

DISCUSSION		
Participation in the planning for a Bio Blitz was discussed and individuals were tasked with determining their interest in participating in a planning session.		

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Determine interest in a Feb. planning date and session.	All	ASAP

NEW BUSINESS – NH DOT Letter

DISCUSSION		
NH DOT plans to replace guard rails from south Grantham to Newport. Grantham asked to examine the need for mitigation in its portion of the project. Members discussed the potential impacts such as wetlands, invasive plants and rare plants along Route 10 south. It was agreed that at this time there are no concerns but that the Commission would like to examine the area of the work during the growing season for plant life.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Letter to Melissa White with GCC conditional okay	Richard Hocker	ASAP

NEW BUSINESS – Native Plant Trust

DISCUSSION		
The Members discussed the nature and mission plus cost of participation in the Native Plant Trust. General opinion was that if the Town participated it should be the Garden Club. Agreed to keep the item on the agenda for potential consideration.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

HANDOUTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Pro Tem Hocker asked if there was any further business. There being none, McArt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. and Buchanan seconded the motion.

The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The regularly scheduled meeting on Feb 3, 2020 of the Grantham Conservation Commission will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Hocker
Grantham Conservation Commission Pro Tem Chair