

FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
33 Old Portland Road – PO Box 227  
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15 September 2020  
7:00 pm

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The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

NH State Proclamation

Quorum Check and Roll Call – Present are: Paul Elie, David Straw, Alice Custard, Sue Hoople and Melissa Donaldson-Recording Secretary. A quorum is present.

Approval of Minutes – Alice made a motion to approve the minutes of the 18 August 2020 meeting,  
David seconded.

David - yes

Sue - abstain

Alice - yes

Paul – yes

Business Properly Presented to the Commission

Approve Invoices - none

Review Applications - none

Review Intents to Cut - none

Finalize Intent to Cut Procedure - Paul has spoken to the Selectmen, and they will forward all the intents to cut to the Chair for review when they receive them.

Matt Tyler and another person have joined the meeting.

Draft Input for Planning Board Shoreland Ordinance - The Planning Board is looking to "beef up" the water protection ordinances in Town. Ideas or comments? None given. Correspondence / Information

Cyanobacteria Update & Signage - Cyanobacteria was a problem at Middle Danforth. It was cleared on 11 September.

Recycling Update - none given

Four approvals for construction for sewage disposal systems and 2 approvals to operate were received. Paul will add them to the database.

The Cristoferi application for the retaining wall on the shoreland was denied by DES. The application for the dock at Spindle Point was approved. NH Register of Big Trees sent the Town a Big Tree plaque for the Tulip Tree found on Burnham Road in the Thurston Cemetery. Paul will check with Dottie Brooks to find out who owns the cemetery.

Signage at Gate 1 of the Town Forest was removed last week.

Loon Lake testing (VLAP) - done on Ossipee Lake and the bays. We spoke about the possibility of adding Loon Lake to the program. DES is at capacity. NH Lakes Lay monitoring program - these are volunteers who test the lake water. Green Mountain contacted them for us. They feel that they could likely add us to the program. The pricing is \$12 per sample. Last year there was a little cyano detected in Loon Lake. Paul will request more information on this program.

If anyone is interested in being the chair, there may be an opportunity.

On September 29 Green Mountain will be having a Zoom meeting regarding storm water. In October, they will be having another meeting regarding cyano.

The missing Milfoil sign on Trout Pond has been secured and will be posted when it arrives.

Kiosks and Pine Barren burn were mentioned as items that need to be discussed. Forest maintenance and cuts will also need to be discussed.

Public Comment

Adjournment - Alice made a motion to adjourn at 7:24 pm, Matt seconded.

David - yes

Alice – yes

Matt Tyler - yes

Paul – yes

Sue Hoople - yes

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Donaldson

Recording Secretary