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# Canterbury Conservation Commission

Canterbury, NH

**DRAFT MINTUES of June 8, 2023**

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**Present:** Kelly Short, Audra Klumb, Steve Seron (Zoom), Teresa Wyman

**Absent:** Ken Stern, Lance Armstrong, and Bob Steenson.

**Guests:** None

Kelly chaired the meeting. Items were recorded in the order in which they were discussed.

Meeting called to order at 7 pm.

## **1. Approval of minutes of the May 11, 2023 meeting.**

Steve moved approval of the minutes of the May 2023 meeting, seconded by Audra. Discussion: Liine 29 should be struck. The minutes were approved unanimously as amended.

## **2. Master Plan – Natural Resources Chapter**

Kelly had distributed the June draft of the master plan which had been revised with our previous comments and suggestions. Ken provided comments by email. Audra made comments on numbering and alignment. A copy was sent to Mark Stevens of the Agriculture Committee; no comments have yet been received. The revision has been sent to the Regional Planning Commission for further edits, and then will be sent on to the Planning Board.

## **3. Property Management**

Kelly thanked Ken and Audra for their attendance and assistance with cleanup and removal of invasives at the parking area of the Riverland. More work is needed there. Kelly met with neighbor Lucy Nichols, NH Agriculture Department's Doug Cygan, and Chris Kane, who monitors Canterbury's conservation easements, to discuss the invasives and follow-up work in the area. The Conservation Commission will continue to have work days to remove the invasives. Kelly with check with Ken Folsom to see if the highway department can remove the remaining boulder and continue with the good work they did removing invasives.

The removal of the pine trees at the RSFCA near Kimball Pond was discussed. The issue has been brought to the Selectmen. The town is currently trying to find funds to help pay for the removal of the trees.

## **4. Permit Actions**

The NH DES responded with a Request for More Information for the Eversource Pole Replacement wetland permit application. The RFMI did not include anything that the Conservation Commission needed to take action on. The Commission should be copied when the applicant submits the response to the RFMI.

## **5. Conservation Priorities Process**

The communication with Natural Resource Professionals is still on hold while we continue to work on the Master Plan edits.

46 **6. Other Business**

47 **a. Five Rivers Conservation Trust – Conservation Plan**

48 Five Rivers Conservation Trust collected the survey results which then helped them to decide what to  
49 include on their mapping of Natural Resources Co-occurrence Map and working landscapes. These maps  
50 will help guide their priorities in land conservation and may also be useful for the CCC.

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52 **b. Bowden Property - 30 ac on Rte 106**

53 Kelly informed Ken Folsom that the Conservation Commission was not interested in actively conserving  
54 the Bowden property and asked if the Board of Selectmen wanted to consider accepting the property  
55 for potential resale.

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57 **c. Other Business**

58 Kelly asked that we each check with people around town for ideas about people who might interested in  
59 joining the Conservation Commission

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61 **Next meeting**

62 The next meeting will be July 13, 2023

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64 **Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.**

65 Respectfully submitted by Audra Klumb and Kelly Short.