Conservation Commission Minutes

Date: 4-13-2021

Time: 6:30pm

Attendees: Matt McLaughlin, Mark Morrissey, Ryan Burke, Ben Shepard, Catherine Carroll

Absent: John Stroud, Anna Cudmore

* Approve March minutes
	+ Matt McLaughlin made motion
	+ Mark Morrissey seconded
	+ Approved unanimously
* Property Updates
	+ Hedgehog Mountain
		- Toner family (Mary Fields) would like to help make improvements to Hedgehog Mountain
			* Ideas to improve property
				+ New sign at end of Transfer Station Road
				+ More parking
				+ New bench at top of mountain
			* Mary Fields to get quotes and present these to the Commission
	+ Florida Lake
		- No updates
	+ Hidden Pond
		- Public Works help with kiosk
			* Earl Gibbon offered to help replace the kiosk damaged during the winter from plowing
			* Commission will take Earl Gibson up on the offer, so Ben Shepard will respond back to him
		- Next meeting should be at Hidden Pond
			* Conservation Commission’s next meeting will be at Hidden Pond on 4/18 at 8am to spread chips and review property needs
			* Ben Shepard to send location of Hidden Pond location to the Commission before 4/18
		- Beavers are active and the pond level is high
		- There has been a trespass on the back end of Hidden Pond and Matt McLaughlin took up this issue with the trespasser
			* They caused ruts on the back end of the property
	+ Quarry Woods
		- Ryan Burke sent an email to Peter Joseph to ask about putting in parking on Lower Mast Landing Road for the property
	+ Soule Park
		- Ryan Burke has a $5800 quote for just the plants for the re-planting
		- Town staff is involved with developing a solution
* 2021-2022 Budget
	+ Ben Shepard described a budget spreadsheet he developed
	+ Budget was submitted to the Town in March
* Town Council Workshop
	+ Hedgehog Mountain
		- Hunter Road Commission wants to expand parking into the Hedgehog property
			* Need to have discussion with Hunter Road Commission
				+ Have them attend at the next meeting?

Ryan Burke to coordinate

Can also discuss Dog Park at the next meeting

* Visit Freeport Maine Website
	+ A Freeport Conservation Commission page has been set up
	+ Conservation Commission needs to supply pictures for each property to have on the website
* Adjourn
	+ Matt McLaughlin made motion to adjourn
	+ Mark Morrissey seconded
	+ Adjourn approved unanimously