Warwick Conservation Commission Meeting April 2, 2024, creary vitant of 101 saturilm stalomos 6:30 PM

Commissioners present: Chris Duerring, chair, Mary Williamson, Greg Brodsky, Bob Paquette, Kaila Woodson, Jim Abels, and Nancy Putnam

9:05 PM, Motion to adjourn by Bob P., Jim 2'nd, approved unanimo

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6:37 pm - Meeting called to order

Reviewed Meeting Minutes from March 4th, 2024, Motion to approve by Greg, seconded by Bob, all approved.

Continuation of Public Hearing for Request for Amendment for Kelly solar shed, Northfield Road. Motion to continue until next meeting by Chris D., seconded by Greg, all approved.

Flagollet bridge repair: Draft RDA submitted by Oliviae Flagollet for discussion. An engineer at DCR submitted a written description of the work, as they also use the bridge to access Mt. Grace. Replacement of culvert is described to be increased up to 24" pipe, larger than existing. Multiple parties use this access to get up to the Mt. Grace fire tower, and DCR is willing to do the work. Discussion of jurisdiction under WPA and possible exemption, as the stream and crossing has farmed fields on both sides. The owner & farmer use it for livestock and transportation of grain. Discussed Informal site visits to be done by a few commission members.

Moores Pond building renovation: discussion, Kevin Davis is the builder. Proposal may be submitted soon.

Updates:

Kelly Northfield Road: recap of site visit by 2 commissioners on March 8th to monitor compliance and to review wetland flagging with Ward Smith, wetland scientist.

Northfield Road resurfacing project - discussion of outstanding issues, sediment barriers (including fiber rolls) still there. Suggestion for a designated Commission liaison to reach out to the Town DPW.

Conservation Commission budget/accounting: questions and discussion about balance and using the Commission funds.

Forest Cutting Plans: Kaila emailed Service Forester. They discussed forestry issues. Rt. 78 forest cutting area appears much larger and exclusion area has been logged at least up to the wetland. Kaila will request a site visit with the Service Forester.

Eversource Power line ROW herbicide treatment

National Grid: Public Notice for Public Meeting in Athol on April 10th.

Vernal Pool Day scheduled for Sunday April 21st, 1pm, meeting in front of town hall.

Next meeting date, discussion and agreed on April 29, 2024, at 6:30.

Many Thanks to Mary for being Secretary, and taking such detailed, clear, and complete minutes for so many years.

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