

**WASON POND CONSERVATION & RECREATION COMMISSION**

**October 2, 2023**

**Approved Minutes**

**7:00 PM**

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**Members present:**

Chris Hadik, Chairman  
Kathleen Neff Ragsdale, Treasurer  
Kristina Snyder  
Kathy Dircks  
Darrell Quinn, Alternate  
John Dalrymple, Alternate

**Members absent:**

Sandy Wright  
Steven O. Landau, Selectboard Liaison

**Guests:**

PACT

**1. Open Meeting – New Business**

Chairman Hadik called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

**a. Treasurer’s Report**

Ms. Neff Ragsdale reported \$19.36 in electricity expense for the caretaker's cottage for the month of September. This leaves an available balance of \$2,410.39 or 91.75% of budget.

*Ms. Dircks moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.*

**b. Approval of Minutes – September 11, 2023**

*Ms. Neff Ragsdale moved to approve the September 11, 2023, minutes as written. Ms. Dircks seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.*

**c. Trunk or Treat Car Show**

Chairman Hadik reminded the Commission the Trunk or Treat Car Show is October 15th.

**3. Selectmen's Liaison Update**

There was no Selectman present, so there was no report. The Commission discussed who the liaison is and why there is no representation at the meetings.

**4. Recreation Commission Update**

Ms. Dircks reported there are 212 boys and girls enrolled in the soccer program. The Rec Department is looking for lifeguards for next summer. Basketball is coming up soon.

The Trail Ride was successful, with the exception of ground bees causing an incident. The trail markers were helpful for emergency personnel to find the site and treat the rider.

The Commission discussed the limit for sheds being erected on the property.

**4. Conservation Commission Update**

Ms. Snyder reported the brush piles are tentatively planned to be moved over the weekend.

Ms. Neff Ragsdale said the pollinator garden is thriving.

**5. Ranger John Wright**

Ranger Wright was not present at the meeting, so there was no update.

**6. Master Plan - Projects**

Chairman Hadik said the pavilion project is still on hold. There is \$1,000 in the CIP for soil testing for the footings. He will research the details on this.

**7. Miscellaneous - Old Business**

**a. Ash Street Bridge**

Chairman Hadik said there is no update on funding for the bridge.

**b. Wason Pond Wrangler 2024**

Ms. Dircks has heard nothing about the Wrangler accounting. Ms. Snyder will speak with Mr. Broadwater.

**c. Selective Cut - Maintenance**

Mr. Dalrymple said the selective cutting of the trees endangering the wires will be completed by the end of the month.

**d. Selective Cut - Conservation**

Chairman Hadik will meet with the Conservation Chair, Victor Chouinard, to discuss this.

**e. Asphalt Damage**

Ms. Dircks reported the asphalt in the beach area was damaged by the crane used to remove the trees. There was a suggestion to replace the asphalt with a cement pad. Chairman Hadik will inspect the area and check the easement to see if new impervious surface is allowed.

**8. Adjournment and set date for next meeting (Monday, November 6, 2023)**

*Ms. Dircks moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beth Hanggeli, Recording Secretary