

WASON POND CONSERVATION COMMISSION
February 4, 2019
Approved Minutes

Present were:

John Dalrymple
Chuck Myette
Chris Hadik
Darrell Quinn

Absent were:

Leslie Hammond
Herb Rowell
Melinda Mafera
Stephen O. Landau
Kevin Kistler
Kathleen Neff Ragsdale, Conservation Rep.

Staff present:

Ranger John Wright

Others present:

Jesse Edwards, Post Commander, American Legion Hall

1. Open Meeting

Chairman Myette called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. – New Business

a. Budget and Warrant Article planning

Chairman Myette provided copies of the proposed budget for FY 2019-20 and urged the members to attend the Board of Selectmen's meeting Thursday night at 7 pm to present the budget.

3. Approval of January 7, 2019 Minutes

Amendments: Mr. Hadik noted that Mr. Dalrymple recommended...Line 60.

Mr. Quinn motioned to approve the January 7, 2019 minutes, as amended. Mr. Hadik seconded the motion, with all in favor, so moved.

4. Treasurer's Report (Chris Hadik)

Mr. Hadik reported \$954.00 in the budget, with nothing spent.

Mr. Quinn motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, as stated. Mr. Dalrymple seconded the motion, with all

in favor, so moved.

5. Recreation Commission

Jesse Edwards asked about the annual Pounder event. Chairman Myette explained the Pounder is an event put on annual by Chester Charities and not directly associated with the Wason Pond Commission. This year the Pounder will be on Saturday, May 11th and Mr. Edwards offered assistance from the American Legion Post members. Chairman Myette advised that volunteers could be coordinated through the Recreation Dept.

6. Conservation Commission

a. Programs – Trail Map/Comments

Chairman Myette provided copies of the ten maps that Mr. Hume had put together and asked for input with the legend(s) and how to direct hikers to features such as the waterfall and how to best describe them. Mr. Hadik recommended grading the trails for difficulty and whether a person or horses could navigate the trail as well as Class 6 roads and which roads are Town property or private, which are wet or seasonal. This could be an Eagle Scout or Girl Scout project. Mr. Quinn asked if the maps were on the website. Mr. Hadik suggested an overlay of the former Campground map which has all the street names.

7. Master Plan – Projects

a. Pavilion

Mr. Hadik recommended having a list of materials and engineering costs available. Mr. Quinn added footings and site work. Chairman Myette will get in touch with Ms. Spence and see if she can provide a list of materials. Mr. Dalrymple will speak with Mrs. Reishus from the Recreation Dept.

Mr. Hadik advised there are Barns for Sale possibly local and in New Hampshire that could be used and sell for an average of 8-12,000.

8. Miscellaneous

a. Security, cameras, ranger

Chairman Myette advised recently the Sheriff's office had contacted the BOS office to ask about the emergency response plan and the location of Ash Street. Mr. Wright will return as the Ranger beginning in June. Chairman Myette will get his email information and add him to the meeting distribution list.

b. Barn Siding

Chairman Myette advised he has had no update on the barn siding. Accessing the side may prove difficult and require a lift.

c. Paving at the Community Center

Chairman Myette advised there are plans to pave the parking lot and are concerns with the type of paving being an issue or whether paving is included or permissible in the Easement documents. Chairman Myette noted he will look the documents over to see if there is and language that expressly prohibits paving. Mr. Dalrymple advised there used to be a paved area. Mr. Quinn added by the old gas station, and the curbing was taken out.

d. Brush piles

Mr. Quinn advised he would like to get a firm authorization from the BOS prior to disposing of the brush pile. Chairman Myette noted it may be worth mentioning to Recreation not to make piles and to remove the debris from the trails, off to the side, rather than piling it up and moving the piles which is a lot more work than is necessary.

Next Meeting Date: March 4, 2019

9. Adjournment

Mr. Hadik motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. Mr. Quinn seconded the motion, with all in favor, so moved.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Hoijer, Recording Secretary
(via PACT)