

DRAFT MINUTES

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| Members Present: | M. Harper, Q. Kessel, E. King, C. Rittenhouse, and M. Soares |
| Members Absent: | J. Silander and W. Ouimet |
| Alternates Present: | M. Davis |
| Alternates Absent: | |
| Staff Present: | J. Kaufman |

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Soares called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present are M. Harper, Q. Kessel, E. King, C. Rittenhouse, and M. Soares, and alternate M. Davis. Alternate M. Davis is seated for absent member J. Silander.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kessel MOVED, King seconded approval of the 20 October 2021 minutes as presented.

Motion PASSED unanimously.

The Commission recognizes notes from special meetings on September 25, 2021, and November 7, 2021, and from a field trip conducted October 19, 2021.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

- None present.

Soares MOVED, Harper seconded, to advance New Business B given applicant is present.

OLD BUSINESS

Conservation Easement Monitoring

Soares noted that easement monitoring occurred on November 7, 2021. Looking at January 8/9, 2022 for next monitoring field trip.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022 Meeting Calendar

King MOVED, Rittenhouse seconded to approve the 2022 meeting calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. W1624 Application of H. and C. Bruekner for repair of existing culverted driveway crossing at Eagleville Brook on property located at 439 N. Eagleville Rd (Assessor's Parcel ID 20.30.1-1)

Applicant C. Bruekner provided an overview of the proposed project.

Commission asked about disposition of fill from the current structure. Applicant would like to use the fill to stabilize an area closer to the house as a winter parking area. The proposed site is in the upland review area and will need to be addressed via an amended application.

Commission asked about NDDB – has the applicant inquired about which species is/are present? Answer: not yet. Kaufman overviewed the NDDB process for the applicant.

Applicant asked about use of concrete to stabilize the riprap in new construction. Is the use of concrete necessary or would natural stone be sufficient? The applicant's engineer will need to review this suggestion before bringing any proposed change to the Town.

Commission asked about material removed when setting precast concrete retaining wall units. The material will go back into the units.

Soares MOVED, Harper seconded that the project as proposed would not have a significant negative impact to Eagleville Brook provided proper erosion and sedimentation measures are employed during construction and those control measures are removed after the brook and banks have stabilized. The Commission notes: consider the timing of the project for water flow and to minimize NDDB impacts; and an appreciation for the effort to span the brook and restore the streambed and banks.

The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

- Soares asked about CACIWC.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were noted:

- UConn Construction Updates
 - Speaking to Mirror Lake, Kessel asked why not use a dragline as before and spread the material on site?
 - Kessel also noted that the Campus Drainage Master plan indicates the Duck pond/Swan Lake in IIB has a division between Roberts Brook and Eagleville Brook Watersheds to the west and south of the pond. That is not correct. The line should go through the middle of the pond as a water structure on the west end sends water to Roberts Brook while the east side drains to Eagleville Brook (under Chemistry building).
- Inland Wetlands Agent Monthly Report

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is scheduled for December 15, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, enclosed in a thin black rectangular border. The signature appears to read "CWR Rittenhouse" in a cursive style.

Chadwick Rittenhouse
Secretary