

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
February 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, David McTigue, Kleta Dudley, Matt Oliveira, Susan Mallett

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Bob made a MOTION to accept minutes from January 2022, Karen SECONDED, All were in favor

Tom from Piscataquog introduced himself and what he wants to do with a particular property in town. Briefly discussed easements and that the owner wants to build a home for son on part of the property. Tom and owner still working out the details. Forest management plan with licensed forester needed for property going into conservation.

It was asked if he (the owner) was interested in rolling in some wetland on the rest of the property. Also discussed 2 streams in the property. Also, the property next door has easement (not a conservation easement)

Timeline looks like this: If funding approved, closing by end of June. If grant cycles, would probably be spring 2023. Bob motioned to proceed with land protection with Piscataquog Land Conservancy. David Seconded, all were in agreement.

Bob asked if an escort were needed to go on property, Tom will check with the owner.

Bob noted 6 properties, issue monitoring them and that he sees it becoming more difficult.

Presentation was done at 8:07 pm

Bob went on to discuss some tax parcels he reviewed over the weekend. He also showed how to see various properties not able to be developed, ie: town land, steep slopes.

Bob sent an email to Shawn Talbot, BOS Chair, letting him know for the past 30 years the procedure has been to have candidates attend a couple of meetings, then if they are interested, the Selectmen appoint the first time. After the term ends, the Conservation Commission re-ups the membership.

It was also noted that if land is purchased, at a town meeting the BOS sign the deed. If it's an easement, no town meeting needed, the BOS sign the easement.

At 8:32 pm A MOTION to adjourn was made by Bob Boynton, and SECONDED by David McTigue, All in attendance were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Mallett