

Bristol Conservation Commission
October 3, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 7:01 PM

Members Present: Janet Cote, Sandra Heaney, Bonnie MacGillivray Blount, Richard Batchelder and Karen Bemis.

Absent: Carroll Brown Jr., and Rebecca Mani.

Janet Cote introduced Christina Goodwin to the members.

Christina Goodwin told the members that she takes care of Assessing & Land Use Manager, Health Officer, and coordinator. She thinks it works better to be involved with the committees. The administrative assistant is with me one day a week and the assistant land use manager is on three days a week. We do a lot and also work with the Planning Board. Janet Cote said that Christina is working with us to get the permits to us in a timely manner. All of the permits will be filed in folders so they will be where we can find them if needed.

Minutes Review and Approval:

Janet Cote asked the members if they reviewed the minutes from September 5, 2018 meeting. They were moved for approval as amended by Richard Batchelder, seconded by Karen Bemis and approved with a vote of **4 in Favor – 0 Opposed – 1 Abstained**.

New Business:

Cummings Beach Project: Wetlands Permit Application Map/Lot #108-100

We discussed the Shoreland permit at the last meeting to include the stairs now we have the Wetlands permit as well which does include granite stairs. However the Shoreland permit does not have the stairs on the plan yet. Janet Cote said that it's an existing beach and they are trying to save the shoreline from erosion. If the committee agrees then we can approve the wetlands permit because it is an expedited review. We will need motions to approve the plan and have Janet sign off for the committee.

Richard Batchelder motioned to approve the plan as amended, seconded by Sandra Heaney. The vote was **5 in Favor – 0 Opposed**

Karen Bemis motioned to have Janet Cote to sign off for the committee, seconded by Bonnie MacGillivray Blount. The vote was **5 in Favor – 0 Opposed**

Catterall Easement Monitoring

Sandra Heaney said she spoke to them and we will need to watch it. We can notify the land owner again so that no one uses that trail. Janet Cote said we need to have everything covered and in writing. Sandra and Richard will go out there.

Budget

Christina Goodwin said that things have been being cut that shouldn't be. I will represent each committee at town meeting hopefully that will help. Janet Cote said we may need more money in the spring to do water testing four times a year. We also pay the membership for each member. The NH Conservation Association conference is November 3rd and you can choose three sessions to attend. Christina said she would sign up anyone that wanted to attend just let her know and it will come out of the budget. Janet Cote said if anyone has thoughts on the budget to let her know. She also said she would speak to Nik Coates regarding the assessment for Wetlands survey which the attorney wants. Sandra Heaney said there are 23 active wetland areas. We do need to expend the budget so we could hire a professional to clean the spring once a year and the water testing four times a year and the plaque would expend some of the money. Since this is a Bicentennial year we could present the plaque then.

Plankey Spring and other projects

Christina Goodwin said Jeff Chartier did the preliminary water testing in the past but we need to take water and sewer out of the picture. We can do the testing with the state. The process has been defined we need to keep this as a natural spring. If the town takes it on it will become a public water source with the state. Bonnie and Karen would like to take on the duties at the spring. Christina said that we can schedule a professional cleaning annually and the water testing four times a year. Also get signage that this is not a public water source it is a natural spring. Janet said that the signage would be very helpful. She will also email the budget to the members.

Unfinished Business:

24 Shore Drive – Map/Lot #111-009 – Deficiency Letter

We have letters from DES but have not seen any plans for 24 Shore drive. We were unaware of this work and there is no permit. We did send a letter to DES as of now she needs to remove all work done per DES within 20 days.

59 Silver Shores Drive – Map/Lot #111-012 – Shoreland Permit application

Patricia Miller applied for a Shoreland Permit application to raise the house for a foundation it is not an expedited review but we were not notified. She is out of the 50' setback and the height has been put on hold. She is also doing a septic system. Conservation has to take the lake into consideration along with the 150' setback from the lake. It is in our jurisdiction. As of August 24th

they were asked to submit more information to DES. We do need to see the septic plan design. They are asking for a 1250 gal tank for two bedrooms. The water table is an issue because it will impact 2314 sq. ft. of shoreland. They have been approved for the Shoreland permit and they amended their plan and DES approved it on September 27th. We do need to look at this.

30 Mt. Celo Road – Map/Lot # 108-111 – Shoreland Permit Application

We have a letter of approval for the shoreland permit and application to put a foundation under the primary structure, a driveway and parking area, a retaining wall, stairs and walkway. They were approved by DES. The stairs are in the 50' setback we don't want it to be impervious and want it moved back.

47 Arrowhead Point Road – Map/Lot # 102-031 – Shoreland Permit Application

The building is right at the 50' setback and the septic is in the 125' setback. They will need a special use permit from the planning board. They want to put the foundation in before winter the town specified no septic. The members think they should come back because of the setbacks and definitely go before the planning board. DES denied a fireplace.

Communications:

The only notices we have are from Zoning for:

11 Hobart Road – Restaurant and Kayak rentals was approved

59 SilverShores – Shoreland Permit has been approved to raise the building

Central Street Apartments – It will have nothing to do with us

459 Lake Street –

The next Conservation Committee Meeting will be November 7, 2018

Sandra Heaney will not be at that meeting.

Richard Batchelder made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sandra Heaney. The vote was

5 in Favor – 0 Opposed. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Vogan