

Webster Conservation Commission Meeting Summary
9 December 2020
APPROVED JANUARY 13, 2021

Present: Dan Moran (Chair), Isabel Brintall, Linda Clark, Sally Embley, Betsy Janeway, Mary Jo MacGowan, Chris Schadler, and Michele Tremblay.

Not present: Sue Roman.

Guests present: Dana Hadley, Town Administrator; Ken Milender, Warner River Local Advisory Committee; Susan Rauth, Planning Board; and Michael Tardiff, Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission.

Agenda Item	Summary
1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Dan Moran, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dan called the meeting to order and appointed alternates Sally Embley and Michele Tremblay as voting members until Betsy joined the meeting at 7:11 PM at which time Michele resumed her alternate status. Michele was then reinstated at 8:13 PM when Betsy exited the meeting.• Michele volunteered to use Mary Jo's format to be notetaker for the meeting.
2. Warner River Local Advisory Committee presentation Ken Milender, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Warner River Local Advisory Committee will present its corridor management plan on December 17, 2020 at 5:30 PM via Zoom. Ken will provide to Dan credentials for the WCC to access the meeting.• Ken provided an overview of the Committee and its state statutory duties: publishing a corridor management plan and reviewing state permits in the corridor (a quarter mile on each side of the river).• Daniel Moran and Sue Roman represent Webster on the Committee.• It's important to include the corridor management plan in master plan and have the Planning Board incorporate it as an overlay or appendix to ordinances.• Mike said that the plan can be a working document to incorporate emerging issues.• Chris said that the Selectboard is supportive of conservation issues and does not expect any objections.• Will the Town of Webster notify the WRLAC of permit applications for it to review? This has been the case in Warner and Bradford but not in the other towns in the corridor designation. Automatic notification would be automatic with a checkbox asking if the proposed project were in the corridor. Can this be added to the building permit form? WRLAC has language available to assist with the process. The NH Department of Environmental Services has an interactive map to help applicants identify if their proposed project is within the corridor.

3. November meeting summary approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michele requested a correction to her name in the list of commissioners present and the meeting summary approval. • Michele moved to accept the November 11, 2020 meeting summary with the above corrections. Linda seconded the motion. The motion passed carried by roll call vote.
4. Riverdale trail work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michele donated two cans of blue spray paint to re-blazed the trees. • The work day did not happen last month. There is ice on the trail but no ticks. A day will be scheduled opportunistically for warmer weather.
5. Olivewood Solar Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Betsy is not available to serve as the Commission's representative on the project group. Susan Roman may have said that she is not available. Chris volunteer to represent the commission after confirming that Susan and Betsy are not available.
6. Frost Lane building project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris summarized the approved permit. There are 6,395 feet of affected shoreland affected. The plan does not appear to have the building as close to the river as it is, nor as large. There appears to be a lot of unvegetated soil or fill going all the way to the water's edge. The State's Shoreland permits require that a certain percentage of vegetation be maintained. • The Town's building inspector and soon-to-be code enforcement officer can enter the property to measure and inspect the property and report findings to the NH Department of Environmental Services. Chris volunteered to go with Tom on the inspection.
7. Update on wetlands ordinance Susan Rauth, Chair, Planning Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue Rauth reported that Amy Manzelli, BCM Environmental & Land Law, PLLC, will complete her review of and comment on the ordinance at the end of this week. • The Planning Board meets next week. The wetlands update will be on the agenda. There were comments from the public at the last meeting. Last and this month's were/are not public hearings. • There will be a hearing during the first full week in January 2021. • The Planning Board website page update was completed by Russell Tatro. There may be links to this information on other prominent places. • Mary Jo said that a member of the public contacted her to say that he/she felt disenfranchised without an Internet connection to participate. There is a telephone number available and hard copy documents will be provided upon request.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking points and outreach materials are important: 1. Why is important, 2. what does it do and not do, 3. who does it affect? Perhaps a question and answer format would be helpful for talking points. It is important not to oversimplify questions and answers to be accurate and precise. The impact study showed that there is only about 3.6-4.2 percent land affected. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does this affect smaller lots (mostly already developed (grandfathered) on lakes. There have been some logging and farming concerns raised, indicating that there are already enough regulations at the state level. State regulations change so the Town should decide on its own regulations. Everyone will send to Michele by the COB on December 11, 2020 their list of questions (and answers, if possible) for her to compile. A small group will review the compilation and prepare a draft for review by the Commission, Planning Board, and Selectboard.
8. Solar project Chris Schadler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris reported that Bruce Johnson recommended that a \$53,000 fee be levied on the land use change be placed in the conservation fund. It is unclear if this is a current use change or a fee in lieu of it.
9. Conservation Commission webpage and social media Michele Tremblay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dan will request Russell that he be made editor for the Commission's webpage and include Michele in the training or access for them to work on as a team and implement the Commission web page recommendations. Chris moved and MaryJo seconded a motion for Michele will create for the Commission a Facebook page and Twitter account and make MaryJo, Linda, and Chris as FB administrators. The motion carried unanimously by roll call.
10. Meeting adjournment and next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isabel moved to adjourn the meeting. Linda seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. The next meeting will be convened on January 13, 2021
Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 PM.	
<i>Meeting summary respectfully submitted by Michele L Tremblay, alternate</i>	