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Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes

May 04, 2023

7:00 PM

Second Floor, Town Hall

1. Meeting opening: At 7:03 PM by Jill Senter
2. Roll call: Present: Jill Senter, Tim Moore, Charles Blinn, Olaf Westphalen, David Averill
Excused:
3. Review/approval of minutes:
 - 09/01/22: Charles Blinn made a motion to approve as written and Olaf Westphalen made the second. No further discussion. Vote 5-0-0.
 - 11/03/22: Olaf Westphalen made a motion to approve as amended (no support for plan at 91 Plaistow Rd as presented) and Dave Averill made the second. No further discussion. Vote 5-0-0
 - 01/12/23: Olaf Westphalen made a motion to approve as written and Charles Blinn made the second. No further discussion. Vote 5-0-0.
4. Workshops/discussion topics
 - Dolores Quirk, the 5th grade Pollard School who coordinates the Arbor Day activities, sent a letter of thanks to Jill Senter and the Conservation Commission for their support of the Arbor Day activities. She also thanked the Commission for the \$750 support for 5th grade bus trip to Mt. Major but noted the trip has been postponed to 6/2/23.
 - The Conservation Commission reviewed the thank you letters received from 5th grade Pollard School for our support of the Arbor Day poster and poems contests.
 - SELT has reported on a few occasions that several trails that were closed to reduce the number of trails in the forest keep getting re-opened. Brent Ebner agreed, but stated he has tried many times to reclose the trails and they keep getting re-opened by forest users. He can no longer afford to spend the time and energy to continue the re-opening activity. Jill was to report this to SELT to see if they could help with the closings.

- The Conservation Commission received a thank you from the family of John Blinn family for the kind words that the Commission sent to John's family after his passing earlier in the year.

5. Old Business

- Update on Town Forest Map, trail signs. QR code – will download trails and indicate where you are located with the Avenza app or equivalent.
- Update on Prime wetlands – no change from earlier in the year.
- Easement encroachment still exists, the enforcement issue is still outstanding.

6. New Business

- Next meeting date – June 01, 2023

7. Communications

- No information in the Conservation Commission mail folder required attention.

8. Meeting adjournment: At 7:40 PM by Jill Senter

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy E. Moore
Secretary, Plaistow Conservation Commission