



TOWN OF PALMER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 – 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Town Hall Meeting Room
4417 Main St Palmer MA

Donald Blais, Chair
Dorothy Lawrence, Vice
Chair
David Cotter
Peter Izyk
Nicholas Zeo
Brenda Cole
Lucas McDiarmid

Members Present: Donald Blais, Jr.
Peter Izyk
Brenda Cole
Dave Cotter
Dorothy Lawrence
Nicholas Zeo

Members Absent: Lucas McDiarmid

1. **Call to Order:** 6:30 PM – Donald Blais, Jr. (Chair)

2. **Meet and Greet: Recreation Director- Andrew St. George**

Andrew St. George introduced himself. He stated his main focus as the Rec. Director currently is to focus on getting residents to know what they have access to in town. He also wants to improve resident's knowledge on the trails, with a goal of getting more folks out there and enjoying what the Town has to offer. He then went over updates he has been working on at Burleigh Park. Proposed updates include disk golf, bathrooms and youth camps.

He then discussed Midura activity that has been happening. He stated some trails have been cleared, however some of the back trails are not well marked or cleared. He has added the trail network to Google Maps.

Then he discussed Shaw district off of Rondeau Road. He has not added to Google Maps yet because there is no parking area and or signage.

He stated our DPW has the ability to make signs in house.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. 7/19/22
- b. 8/16/22

Motion made by Peter Izyk to approve the minutes 7/19/22.

Motion seconded by Brenda Cole.

Motion Caries 5-0-1.

No further discussion.

Motion made by Dorothy Lawrence to table the minutes of 8/16/22 to 10/4/22.

Motion seconded by Peter Izyk.

Motion Caries 6-0.

No further discussion.

4. Approval of Payables:

a. CT River Conservancy Water Sampling: \$600

Motion made by Dorothy Lawrence approve the payable for \$600.

Motion seconded by Dave Cotter.

Motion Caries 6-0.

No further discussion.

5. Signing of Documents:

It was discussed the Building Permit signoffs will be taken care of by the Agent

6. Requests for Certificates of Compliance:

a. COC: American Dry Ice DEP# 256-209

It was discussed that the Agent completed a site visit, and it is in compliance with no found issues, and recommended a full COC.

Motion made by Dorothy Lawrence to issue full COC for DEP # 256-209

Motion seconded by Dave Cotter.

Motion Caries 6-0.

No further discussion.

b. COC: National Grid Transmission Line Access Road Improvement Project

It was discussed that the Agent completed a site visit on 9/19/22 and it is in compliance with no found issues, and recommended a full COC.

Motion made by Dorothy Lawrence to issue full COC for DEP # 256-0352

Motion seconded by Dave Cotter.

Motion Caries 6-0.

No further discussion.

7. New/Old Business:

a. Forest Cutting Plan- Burlingame St

The Commission was informed of the forest cutting plan. No further discussion.

b. Bennett St Project Update:

It was discussed that a Kayak Launch and kiosk will be installed. The installation meets the grant requirements. Nick Zeo stated the area where a kiosk will be placed needs to be brought up to grade. It was also discussed signage will be put up for the blue trail on Bennett St as well as Rt 32. Brief discussion followed.

Next Meeting Date: 10/04/22

Motion made by Nick Zeo to adjourn at 7:20 PM

Motion seconded by Dorothy Lawrence.

No further discussion.

Motion Caries 6-0.