

Sandown Conservation Commission
Minutes
April 25, 2024

Date: April 25, 2024

Place: Sandown Town Hall

Members Present: Brian Butler-Chairman, Terry Knuuttunen,
Pam Gaudreau, Tim Robinson

Members Absent: Jillian Winmill, Kala Parisi, Kristin McClary,
George Grivas

Opening: Mr. Butler opened the meeting at 7:04 pm.

Review of minutes

Motion Mr. Knuuttunen made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/11 as amended. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. Vote of 4-0-0 motion approved.

Fishing Derby Update

Mr. Butler gave the update. Members were asked to assemble at 6:15am to begin setting up. Kids to arrive at 7am. 60 online sign ups to date. Mr. Grivas to pick up worms. Mr. Robinson to bring speaker, two tables and a pop up tent. Mr. Carey will assist Mr. Robinson with parking. Fish delivered on 4/18 as scheduled. Porta Poti to be delivered tomorrow. Tshirts have been ordered and cost covered by a donation from the Olsen Family and Mr. Grivas. Lisa Sears also made a donation of basket of fishing gear.

34 Ms. Gaudreau suggested getting a bench in honor of Sal for
35 his family continuing the fishing derby tradition.

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37 **Property Line Blazing – Map 17 Lot 4**

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39 Discussion about the Pinard property and line painting
40 within the next week or so. Mr. Butler related that this
41 property is slightly harder to access, but it can be accessed
42 via Wells Village Road main entrance. Sunday May 5th at
43 noon was chosen.

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45 **Budget update**

46 Conferences are coming up in May maybe June.
47 Mr. Butler read through the budget and gave projections for
48 known expenditures. Mr. Butler also encouraged members
49 to speak up during budget process if they want to do
50 presentations during the year.

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52 **Conservation Events**

53 Ms. Gaudreau presented a list of different presentations.
54 She had one booked for \$430 for Sept. 28th which is a
55 Saturday. The budget line does not have enough funds
56 remaining. Members discussed the possibility of taking
57 difference from another budget line. Consensus was to use
58 the Environmental Consultant line to make up the
59 difference.

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61 Motion- Mr. Robinson made a motion to fund Ms.
62 Gaudreau's proposed presentation for \$430. Funds to come
63 from Education & Awareness and Environmental

64 Consultant line. Mr. Knuuttunen seconded the motion.
65 Vote – 4-0-0 Motion passed.

67 **Wight Isle – Parking Lot & Trail**

68 Mr. Robinson advised that he walked the conservation
69 property and discussed putting in a road and establishing
70 trails. One neighbor was problematic, but we were able
71 work around. The quote of \$700-\$750 should still be
72 feasible. Mr. Butler advised that the construction company
73 agreed to create a parking lot and hopefully do some more
74 work as they are presently using Town Property for their
75 convenience. Also, the Fire Chief has been consulted and
76 is in favor of as much emergency access as possible.

78 **Join Us**

79 Mr. Robinson explained that Join Us is a collaborative
80 group of conservation commissions working on Global
81 Warming. He related that he will be attempting to attend a
82 future meeting.

84 **Old Business**

85 Mr. Robinson asked about marking Fremont Trail. Mr.
86 Knuuttunen advised that the wait was on Wells Village area
87 being finished.

88 **New Business**

90 Mr. Robinson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr.
91 Knuuttunen. Vote 4-0-0 meeting adjourned.

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93 Respectfully Submitted,

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95 Thomas C. Perkins