

Strafford Conservation Commission
Minutes
December 6, 2021

Present: Sue Barnes, Mimi Jost, Michael Ferber, Randy Jacunski
Guests: Robert Wilcox, David Allain, Steve Olds, Matthew Olds, Gary Spaulding, Monica Kieser

Opening and Introduction

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm. A motion was made by Randy to approve November minutes. There was unanimous approval. Mimi shared that she had attended NHACC annual conference and described the workshop on animal crossings and use of culverts to assist turtles and other animals at risk from motor vehicle traffic.

Guest Presentations: Robert Wilcox introduced himself as the landowner seeking approval for proposed septic system on construction sight located on Lake Shore Drive. His Attorney, Monica Kieser provided a history of the property and timeline including status of DES shore permit and additional information forwarded to Conservation Commission in October regarding the Wilcox application. Gary Spaulding, a technician for Advanced On Site Solutions provided an in depth description of the proposed septic system and leech fields, contrasting it with tradition systems and explaining why it was suited to efficiently accommodate the needs of this specific sight. He fielded questions from the commission. David Allain, wetland scientist asked that he be notified if another site visit were scheduled, so that he could attend and answer any questions. Ms. Kieser respectfully requested expediency in response from the Commission regarding this matter. She was told that we would need to confer with our other members before any decision was made. They were all thanked for coming. A brief discussion followed about logistics of arranging another site visit and possibly another meeting prior to January, 2022 and drafting a letter to ZBA sharing our findings.

Continuing Business

IRCR and other trails: Randy reports trails are in good shape and used by many. Water bars raked at Spencer Smith Trail on Parker Mountain. Animal sightings: bluebirds, many deer and some coyotes and bobcats.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 3, 7:00 pm. Town Hall. Site Visits: to be determined

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Jacunski