

**ALTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF MEETING  
AUGUST 13, 2020  
6:00 p.m.  
ALTON TOWN HALL**

*minutes*  
**AGENDA**

**Call Meeting to Order:** At 7:00 pm, all members present plus BOS rep Virgil McDonald

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by R. Wilder, second by Q. Golden to approve agenda as amended, 5 yea

**Public Input:** Loring Carr asked what percentage of Alton land is conserved. Discussion of how much can be conserved before it becomes "too much"

**Approval of Minutes:**

1. July 23 ,2020 Motion by R. Wilder, second by E. Bagley to approve , 5 yea
2. August 2, 2020 work session Motion by R. Wilder, second by Q. Golden to approve, 3 yea, B. Doyle and E. Bagley abstain

**Presentations/Consultations:**

**Planning Board/ZBA Agenda Items:**

**Standard Dredge and Fill Application:**

1. Permit (2019 – 00933) amendment for James and Janis Reams, 426 Rattlesnake Island, map 76, lot 25, Move dock anchor six feet back to place it in suitable soil  
reviewed the amendment and have no comments

**Permit by Notification:**

**Minimum Impact Expedited:**

**Shoreland Permit Application:**

1. Christian and Amy Riordan, 50 Marlene Dr, map 71, lot 19: Remove existing deteriorated retaining wall, replace retaining wall along side of garage, expand parking for turnaround, and expand area on the lakeside of the garage, install drip edge and catch basin. New retaining wall is not engineered despite being 5 ft high, very close to shore line, and perhaps subject to overflow from the new driveway; suitability and lifespan is questioned. Storm water runoff is not adequately addressed. Project makes a non-conforming lot more non-conforming and non-conforming use is expanding into the 50 foot setback zone

**Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities:**

**Shoreland Permit by Notification (PBN):**

**Other Business:**

1. BOS representative voting status BOS rep has not had voting right for several years due to commission having seven members. Discussed history. Motion by R. Wilder, second by E. Bagley, to ask BOS to appoint its rep as full member of the commission. 5 yea
2. 2021 budget see below
3. Potential conservation properties in Alton -- Russ  
The Commission convened in non-public session at 6:38 pm under RSA 91--A:3, II(d) to discuss future conservation acquisitions. 5 yea  
The Commission re-convened in public session at 6:52 pm, 5 yea. Motion by B. Doyle, second by Q. Golden to seal the minutes of the non-public session. 5 yea

### **Old Business:**

1. Timbers trespass -- site visit? R. Wilder reported that he visited the site last week and there may be additional violations. Commissioners agreed to seek advice from J. Dever and attorney Sessler in order to seek legal redress
2. Monitoring list -- additions Deferred to next meeting
3. Green Oak Realty case no discussion
4. Knight's Pond no discussion

### **Commissioner Reports:**

1. Russ Wilder - snowmobile club bridge building Snomo club reports no planned construction at this time
2. Jesus Valley Road LRCT and SPNHF see need for more parking at the end of J.V. Rd, Commission agrees. The plan is to use the existing class 6 road and an existing log landing to create a parking lot, work is underway to gain landowner agreement
3. Roberts Cove Beach New owner of the lot, Steven Hepburn, has many questions about the easement the Town holds for the beach and who can use it. Virgil will take the questions to the BOS
3. BCM bill for services Motion by R. Wilder, second by E. Bagley to approve the \$200 bill. 5 yea

### **Notice of Intent to Cut:**

1. Map 35, lots 68 and 68-1 Ryan Heath

### **Correspondence:**

1. Compliance inspection, file 2018-02624, LRM 18-41, map 32, lot 30, 69 Riverlake St.
2. Compliance inspection, file 2018-02624, LRM 18-41, Map 32, lot 31, Riverlake St.

### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm on motion by B. Doyle, second by Q. Golden, 5 yea

BUDGET: 2021 budget presented to the Commission, the only lines that have changed are the wages and overtime lines, to which 1.6% COLA was added. Q. Golden suggested that we add a line item for contributions to local organizations that are active in conservation, such as Boy Scouts, the High School environmental club, and others. Motion by B. Doyle, second by E. Bagley to create a new line for Local Organization Support, and to move \$250 from line 1-4612-139 and \$500 from 1-4612-172 into the new line. 5 yea