

TOWN OF WATERVILLE VALLEY
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES – FINAL
July 26, 2023
1PM TOWN OFFICES MEETING ROOM

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.
2. Attendees: Irit Levy, chair; Cyndy Piekos, member; Charles Hastings, member; Becca Hastings, member; Paul Ricotta, alternate; Jennie Lucas, member via ZOOM; Mike Sievert, Horizons Engineer via ZOOM.
3. The minutes from June 21st were approved with minor modifications.
4. Privilege of the floor – none
5. Old Business
 - a. Update on Snows Brook project – an email came in from Rick Van De Poll right before the meeting – he estimates a ~ \$97,200 budget and is awaiting feedback from the Forest Service. The Commission will review his entire email and discuss with Mark Decoteau and the Selectboard prior to the next CC meeting. Charles cautioned that we need to be mindful of the 12/24 deadline to use approved funds.
 - b. No new news on runoff issues at construction sites. Dave Noyes continues to follow-up with all the sites following heavy rains.
 - c. The 4 large Greenbelt description sign options were reviewed. There are some unanswered questions about the material of the sign and post. The Commission prefers the woodsy background with white lettering because it offers the best visibility.
 - d. We need to get clarification from the surveyor regarding the south border of the Greenbelt Parcel, Charles is not satisfied with what we saw on our site walk when hanging the markers.
 - e. Jennie gave an update on Well #4 and the beavers. The Selectboard will be reviewing proposals from two contractors for dam removal at its upcoming meeting. The Town notched the two dams significantly last week and there has not been any activity by beavers to repair the dams.
 - f. WWTF – tabled.
6. New Business
 - a. Mike Sievert – Horizons Engineering reviewed plans for a new Expedited Minimum Impact application at the ski area for a lift improvement and new lift installation. There will be an area of temporary wetland disturbance near the existing Tecumseh 6-person lift for the installation of four footings for cable tie downs. A second permanent wetland disturbance will be created for the base

station of a new t-bar lift. Irit requested a site visit to review. It was agreed to meet on August 31st at 10am at the ski area.

- b. Town Hazard Mitigation Plan – tabled until Dave Noyes is available.

The date of the next regular meeting has been set for Wednesday, August 30th at 1 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.

“We are located on N’dakinna, which is the traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki, Pennacook, and Wabanaki Peoples, past and present. We acknowledge and honor with gratitude the land and waterways and the alnobak (people) who have stewarded N’dakinna throughout the generations.”