

**Stratham Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Public Session
June 29th, 2022**

Conservation Commission Members Present: Bill Kenny, Bill McCarthy, Ana Egana, Bob Keating, Brad Jones.

Non-Members Present: Mark Connors, Town Planner

Meeting Called to order @ 7:01 PM

New Business:

CC minutes:

No minutes to review

Mail:

Aquarion Water Company: They carried out a well protection well head review. They identified 14 business within the Aquarion Water Company well head area. Educational materials were sent to those 14 businesses. Out of the 14: 4 were inspected and they were in compliance; 2 were no longer active businesses; 4 had household quantities of materials; 1 had an agriculture exception; in 1 issues were corrected; 2 did not respond.

Monitoring Easement report for the Sanderson property. No issues were identified.

Old Business:

Open Space Plan

Mark gave a presentation about the Open Space plan to the town citizens that attended a public meeting. 10-12 people attended and the meeting was recorded. \$45,000 have been allotted for this initiative. At this CC meeting Mark took the opportunity to go over the talk with the CC members.

Based on the presentation given, CC had a discussion around what information the town is proposing to put out to identify the town protected areas and to explain what the usage guidelines are to the public. There was also a discussion about the 2019 maps,

which identify the areas containing high quality habitat as well as areas that will be impacted by rising water levels.

TMAC Update

Provided by Bill McCarthy. TMAC was reappointed as a committee by the Board of Selectmen (BOS). At the meeting that took place after the reappointment, the idea of creating a docent type program to educate people on the rules and ordinances of Stratham Park were discussed. They also discussed the presentation of the proposal for the closure of the Jack Rabbit Lane parking lot to the BOS. The rationale behind it was to see if this measure would have an impact on the number of dog incidents in the park that are being registered. In addition, a discussion on the best options for a signage format took place. No decisions were made on this.

8:10 PM

Bill Kenny moved to adjourn, Ana Egana second– motion passed unanimously;
Meeting adjourned

Next meeting scheduled for 7 PM on Wednesday, July 27th at the Municipal Center.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ana Egana

Serving as Secretary