

**Stratham Conservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Public Session  
July 10, 2019**

**Conservation Commission Members Present:** Bill McCarthy, Bob Keating, Ana Egana; Pat Elwell; Tim Copeland; Allison Knab; Brad Jones

Meeting Called to order @ 7:04 PM

*CC minutes:*

None

*Mailbox:*

Email from NHDES providing copy of wetlands permit for PSNH work replacing poles (previously reviewed and approved by CC);

Announcement for Barker Farm easement celebration on Sun Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 4-6 PM;

Announcement for UNH extension for invasive species academy on Sep 26-27, application period open and more information available online;

*Next CC meeting Jul 24th:*

Pat motioned to cancel meeting; Bob Keating Second – motion passed unanimously.

*Seth Hickey:*

Property for sale at 15 Jack Rabbit Lane – property is in the middle of the park; current appraisal is \$448K. Has been looked at twice but failed to pass inspection. Fair directors may have some interest.

Request for the Fair – extra mowing of the second field section that will allow for extra parking.

Rabid racoon seen in park, had chased a person but was not captured.

A sick otter was removed by Fish and Game.

Update on the trail map design – waiting for Barker Easement to complete before finalizing design. Drafts will be available before the final decision is made.

Update on trail placards and signs by Owen Gandt as Eagle Scout project – will use 4x4 posts to avoid using nails on trees; paint will mark trails the extent of marking will depend on Owens project. Still working on bike repair stand.

Eddie Barker provided feedback on changes that were made to trails – people appear to be obeying. Seth continues to monitor.

Requested guidance on algae bloom found in Batchelder Pond (conserved). CC suggested contacting UNH cooperative extension to see if they could help with the issue.

*Municipal update:*

Shift on Planning Board, chair is stepping down and new chair will be elected. 2 members are changing roles; Colin Lavery and Pamela Horlasch joining PB.

*Master Plan:*

Meeting July 17<sup>th</sup>. Tavis wishes to have the chair and at least 2 members attend. Bill McCarthy and Pat Elwell confirmed that they will attend.

7:50 PM

Tim Copeland moved to adjourn, Brad Jones Second– motion passed unanimously; Meeting adjourned

**Next regular meeting scheduled for 7 PM on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Center.**

Respectfully Submitted:

Ana Egana

Serving as Secretary