

**HANSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF JANUARY 5, 2022
SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM, HANSON TOWN HALL
542 LIBERTY STREET, HANSON, MA 02341**

Called to Order at 7:00 pm under M.G.L. c131, §40 and the Hanson By-Law 3-13, §5 and Rules and Regulations by Phil Clemons, Chairman, 1st Floor Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall, Hanson, MA

Present: Phil Clemons, Chairman
Sharon LePorte Vice Chairman
Thomas Roffey, Jr., Member
Lan Woodward, Administrative Assistant

Absent: David Mansfield, Clerk
Frank Schellenger, Agent

Minutes

December 8, 2021
December 15, 2021

Motion to approve December 8, 2021 Minutes by: Sharon LePorte
Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.
Vote: 3-0-0

Thomas Roffey, Jr. was not in attendance at the December 15, 2021 meeting and quorum was not met for vote.

Motion to Defer December 15, 2021 Minutes until next meeting by: Sharon LePorte
Second: Thomas Roffey, Jr.
Vote: 3-0-0

Public Hearings - (None)

Appointments - (None)

Discussions

Annual Report-Due January 7, 2022

Annual Report additions/edits discussed by Commission. Report was originally due January 7, 2022, but now due January 24, 2022.

Motion to approve 2021 Annual Town Report by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.
Second: Sharon LePorte
Vote: 3-0-0

Property Management Update

Trash picked up at Conservation areas where needed.

Rocky Run; Wildlands Trust installed two informational signs along the red slash trail. A new Indian Head Loop Trail Sign has also been installed. NSRWA and Wildlands Trust an Annual New Year's Day Walk. Hanson Conservation Member, Mr. Mansfield, led educational walks for the Rocky Run area. There were about 40-50 people who attended.

Thomas Mill; Conservation office to present the Thomas Mill plans to Scott MacFaden, Wildlands Trust, and the State to confirm it is satisfactory.

Open Space Acquisition

485 Winter Street

The Board of Selectmen have signed a purchase & sales agreement for 485 Winter Street. The closing date is set for the middle of January.

Sleeper Property

Progress has been made with probate and we are closer to dates for clearing the title.

As of today, besides title being cleared, we need to provide an environmental assessment.

Lite Control Property

Chair Clemons sent an exploratory letter to Hubbell Lighting making an offer subject to various town approvals to purchase 45 acres. The total amount of 87.1. acres would be divided into 2 parcels in cooperation with the Mass Department of Fish and Game (DFG). We are awaiting response and a CPC application for funding will be submitted. Based on Realworth Appraising & Consulting appraisal, it will be approximately \$117,500. There will be other expenses, and it will need to be environmentally assessed. Fields Pond Foundation encouraged us to submit a grant application. The property has recreational, natural resource, historic, and conservation value.

Volunteer Trail Management 101

No update as of this meeting.

Scout Project Update

Mr. Roffey will follow up with TJ Woodward regarding signage and kiosk updates.

Old Business/New Business - (None)

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM by: Thomas Roffey, Jr.

Second: Sharon LePorte

Vote: 3-0-0