

TOWN OF AMHERST  
Conservation Commission

July 29, 2020

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In attendance via Zoom: Rob Clemens – Chair, John Harvey, Vick Bennison, Frank Montesanto, Peter Lyon – BOS Ex-Officio, and Bill Stoughton (Alternate).  
Staff present: Natasha Kypfer – Town Planner, Kristan Patenaude – minute taker.

Chairman Rob Clemens called the online meeting to order at 6:58 pm, with the following statement. As Chair of the Amherst Conservation Commission, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, and 2020-10, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order.

However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:

Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means:

We are utilizing Zoom for this electronic meeting.

All members of the Board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone #312-626-6799 and password 842 4715 2736, or by clicking on the following website address: <https://zoom.us/j/84247152736> that was included in the public notice of this meeting.

Providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting:

We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the meeting using Zoom or telephonically. Instructions have also been provided on the website of the Planning Board at: [www.amherstnh.gov](http://www.amherstnh.gov).

Providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access: If anybody has a problem, please call 603-341-5290.

Adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting:

In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to- Know law.

**Vick Bennison, Rob Clemens, Frank Montesanto, Bill Stoughton, and John Harvey – all present and alone.**

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*Bill Stoughton sat for Jared Hardner.*

**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**1. Chair Comments** – none.

*Rich Hart entered the meeting.*

**2. Minutes (7/8)**

**Vick Bennison moved to approve the minutes from July 8, 2020, as written. Bill Stoughton seconded.**

**Roll call vote: Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; Rich Hart – aye; Frank Montesanto – aye; Bill Stoughton – aye; and John Harvey – aye. Motion carried unanimously.**

**3. Treasurer's Report**

In Bill Widmer's absence there was no Treasurer's Report to review.

**4. Planning and Permitting**

Bill Stoughton, representative from the ACC to the Planning Board, explained that the Planning Board recently voted that the second Jacobson application is not materially different from the first application; thus, the second application will not be heard by the Board. He explained that the applicant currently has a Superior Court appeal on file for the Board's decision on the first application.

Bill Stoughton stated that the Board will hear application presentations for the Arboleda Farmhouse Marketplace, the Fecteau property, and the storage facility located at 6 Pine Road at its August 5, 2020, meeting.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Bill Stoughton explained that Jared Hardner will be the ACC's representative on the Master Plan Steering Committee. That Committee is also still seeking representatives at large from the public.

Rob Clemens stated that the Steering Committee will give general direction and guidance to the process. He believes that several working committees will also be established and thinks that there may be several ACC members who wish to be on those committees.

**a. Amherst Subaru, Map 2 Lots 49 & 53: Wetlands Disturbance, Tom Carr, Meridian**

*Tom Carr, Meridian Land Services, joined the Commission.*

Tom Carr explained that Milford Subaru will be moving to Amherst, to a more suitable location. The new location is located next to the John Deere property, which will be moving to the Subaru's old site in Milford. Thus, Amherst Subaru will be developing part of that site as well.

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Tom Carr explained that there is a small manmade detention/recharge basin on site, which is currently the means to get stormwater off the parking lot and into the woods. The hole was dug, with the remaining soil piled around it, and a culvert was put in. This has since turned into a jurisdictional wetland at the very base of the recharge basin. This is located in the stratified drift aquifer district. Tom Carr explained that the current site design puts runoff directly into the groundwater with no treatment. He explained that, while the intent of the proposal is to maximize the amount of space available to Amherst Subaru, he also believes that the application will better the water quality for the area with proper stormwater treatment.

Tom Carr explained that the proposed project will need an Alteration of Terrain (AoT) permit; thus, the stormwater on site will be well managed. The application proposes to lose 340ft<sup>2</sup> of this manmade wetland. An NHB review determined that there is no impact to the NHB record by the proposed project. Due to the fact that the AoT permit will encompass the whole site, this project will be under review by the National Heritage Bureau. The NHB will review the wetland permit separately, due to filling of the isolated wetland, in checking for eastern hognose snakes and spotted turtles. Reptile identification sheets will be available for all construction workers on site and, if a sighting is made of these species, it will be reported to Fish and Game.

Tom Carr explained that this basin sits about 50 feet off the back of the pavement on site. He stated that the current design was not created very well. The applicant is requesting this permit under an expedited process. This proposal will also need a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application through the Planning Board. The proposed is unique because usually wetlands are partially impacted, but this basin will be fully impacted by filling it in completely.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Tom Carr explained that the project will comply with both AoT and town water quality standards. The aquifer district regulations will also be complied with as part of the site plan. Tom Carr explained that he doesn't believe there is ever standing water in this basin. It is not a vernal pool. He believes that this proposal will make the water quality from this site to the aquifer district better.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Tom Carr stated that the site design will manage and treat stormwater runoff.

Bill Stoughton explained that this is the first application the ACC has seen under the new DES rules. He clarified that, if the permit is signed, it indicates that the ACC believes that the plans and application are accurate, that the Commission has no objections to the proposed project, and that the Commission waives its right to intervene or investigate further the proposal – at the state level only. If the Commission were not to sign off on the proposal, it would still proceed, just at a normal schedule and not an expedited one.

Bill Stoughton stated that this application might also come before the Planning Board. Due to this, he will wait to make any decisions until he hears all of the pertinent information. He explained that, as part of the wetlands CUP for this project, the Commission may want to discuss

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the fact that this wetland is “manmade,” because under the town ordinance most manmade wetlands do not fall within the jurisdiction of the town ordinance.

In response to a question from Frank Montesanto, Rob Clemens explained that, if the expedited permit is signed off on, that is sent to the State as part of the wetlands permit review; however, the ACC can continue to discuss this project on a town level.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Tom Carr stated that the trees on site will be leveled, in order for the site to be reworked to maximize the area for the dealership. The applicant will need to seek a zoning variance for parking, as part of the site is located in the rural residential district, and part of the site is located in the commercial district. The wetland affected is located in the rural residential district.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Tom Carr explained that the engineering for managing stormwater due to a larger impervious surface is not yet completed. Tom Carr explained that he believes porous pavement and recharge basins will be used. He explained that 9-10 test pits have been dug so far on site, and that the water table is at about 38-46” down. The whole site will need to be raised a bit in order to achieve the necessary separation from the water table. He explained that the state levels list 4’ as the same requirement for being above the seasonal water table, as with the septic effluent separation level.

Tom Carr explained that the AoT permit is the hardest one to obtain at the State currently, because of the water quality regulations.

In response to a question from Rich Hart, Tom Carr stated that it is unclear how septic is handled on site currently, as no septic plans have been able to be found.

John Harvey mentioned that this location is in an area with many kettleholes, streams and wetlands scattered about. This is a highly fragmented area. He would like to consider starting a stewardship program for the local neighbors in this area and possibly the Subaru employees as well, to educate them on the importance of this area and its wildlife.

Rob Clemens noted that one of the areas that the spotted turtle was seen in the survey was at Buck Meadow and the Ponemah Bog. The entire stretch of area here has significant aquifer protection value and wildlife value. He would like for the ACC, Audubon Society and Subaru dealership to support that.

In response to a question from Bill Stoughton, Tom Carr stated that he has the signed copy of the application packet on hand. He will arrange for a time to meet with Rob Clemens to sign it, if approved, before the Town Clerk signs it and it is sent to the State. Tom Carr stated that the package will all be appropriately signed before submittal.

**Frank Montesanto moved to authorize Rob Clemens to sign the expedited permit for Amherst Subaru. John Harvey seconded.**

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**Roll call: Bill Stoughton – abstained; Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; Rich Hart – aye; John Harvey – aye; and Frank Montesanto – aye. 5-0-1; motion carries.**

**b. Carlson Manor Wetlands, 24 Brook Road, Update, Hazen Property Concept Plan – Chad Branon, Fieldstone**

*Chad Branon, civil engineer for Fieldstone Land Consultants, joined the Commission.*

Chad Branon explained that he is representing New Hampshire Sustainable Communities, LLC, in this application. He will be sharing the concept for the Planned Residential Development proposed to run across Map/Lots: 4-116, 4-118, 4-119, 4-121, 4-122, 4-145, and 6-102. The entire property is about 354 acres.

Chad Branon ran through the lot sizes: 4-122, ~22.1 acres; 4-116, ~46 acres; 4-145, ~16 acres; 4-121, ~56.4 acres; 4-119, ~20 acres; 6-102, ~150 acres; and 4-118, ~44.2 acres.

Chad Branon explained that the proposal is for a PRD that will utilize the town's existing roads to maximize the amount of land preserved on the property. Reducing the amount of roadway will maximize the amount of open space and preserve sensitive areas, such as the jurisdictional wetlands and buffers. The current proposal shows 128 lots; 67 of those lots have frontage along existing town roads: Cricket Corner Road, Upham Road, and Spring Road. 61 lots will be located on 6 cul-de-sac roads. The plan clusters areas together and utilizes building on the land that is closer to the roads, in order to minimize the amount of infrastructure and maximize the amount of open space. He stated that a lot of thought went into this site design.

Chad Branon stated that there is one wetland crossing proposed on site. There are also wetland buffer impacts at one of the cul-de-sac roads; this goes around the jurisdictional wetland but will cause some impact to the buffer.

Chad Branon explained that, as part of a PRD, it is required that 40% of the land is put into protected open space; for this project that would be about 142 acres. This project proposes placing 247 acres into protected open space, approximately 70% of the total land area, significantly exceeding the requirement. He explained that part of the plan is also to allow for continuity from these preserved open spaces onto adjacent areas that are already protected. He stated that he hopes to introduce this project to the Planning Board on August 5, 2020.

Rob Clemens explained that the ACC looked to purchase a large amount of this land, about 237 acres, about four years ago. The intention was to purchase the land so as to protect the wetlands and aquifers on site. Much of the land that was examined as part of that possible purchase looks to be proposed as protected open space in this proposal. He explained that the purchase did not go through for a number of reasons at that time.

In response to a question from John Harvey, Chad Branon explained that the owner of the land is open to having discussions about who manages the protected open space on this property.

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John Harvey noted that the property overlies a significant aquifer. There may be future items to review such as water rights, wells, etc.

Rob Clemens noted that a portion of this property was pointed out as being in the wellhead protection area by Jared Hardner.

Chad Branon explained that the proposal looks to minimize the impervious cover on lots in those areas by making them frontage lots. He explained that this project will trigger all of the state permits for stormwater treatment and mitigation. The project will need to mitigate all stormwater on site to make sure it does not impact the different districts. This will require substantial review at the local and state levels.

Frank Montesanto noted that it is nice to see a large amount of open space being proposed along Spring Road. While he has a concern with the one wetland crossing, he also explained that there are 14 other properties with wetlands on them and 24 properties in the buffer zone. He wonders about the impact from these proposed houses. He questioned if the small areas located around the units are suitable as wildlife corridors.

Chad Branon explained that the proposal looks to provide strips of open space in some areas of the property. The plan will be to try to provide permanent buffers to abutting properties and access to the open space for passive recreation, education, etc. He believes that the areas located around the units are actually wider widths than they seem. He explained that the applicant is willing to look into cutting into some of the back lots to make the amount of preserved open space larger, if the ACC believes this will allow for additional benefits in places.

In response to a question from Bill Stoughton, Chad Branon explained that some of the lots are smaller in size, for example, Lot 91 is smaller – maybe ¼ to ½ acre. Chad Branon stated that the concept of a PRD is that there is no minimum lot size requirement. The applicant will work with the Planning Board to see its preferences for lots sizes based on the location and surroundings. He explained that a PRD looks for a diversity of housing. Some of these smaller lots might be similar to a 55+ setting and possibly managed by an HOA.

In response to a question from Bill Stoughton, Chad Branon stated that he anticipates the water sources on the majority of the property to be individual wells. This could change in the future.

In response to a question from Rich Hart, Chad Branon stated that the plan is currently laid out so that the historic Hazen house and barn are preserved. There is also a layout that has this area with a new dwelling on it. The existing structure will need to be evaluated first.

In response to a question from Rich Hart, Chad Branon explained that there are vernal pools on the property. He is working with Mark West, of West Environmental, on wetland mapping and a vernal pool inventory. All of these areas will be evaluated in the spring. The plan is to try to design the site around these vernal pools and make sure they are in the preserved open space areas. Chad Branon explained that a lot of the upland area is better off being preserved than

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developed. He explained that the next map he shows to the ACC will have all of the vernal pools delineated.

In response to a question from John Harvey, Chad Branon agreed to send the GPS coordinates of these vernal pools to the ACC.

Rob Clemens explained that the original intention in acquiring this property was for aquifer protection, as the second largest transmissive aquifer in town is located on this property. The wetland and wildlife habitat areas on site also intersect and connect to other conserved areas nearby. He stated that Lot 128 on Spring Road sticks out to him.

He also expressed concerns that one of the proposed cul de sacs crosses over into the wetland buffer area and comes close to the drainage way from Dream Lake out to Upham Road. He believes that this seems like an unnecessary extension into a natural drainage way.

In response to a question from Frank Montesanto, Chad Branon explained that it is anticipated that the town will want improvements along the dirt road section of County Road as part of this project. This might include right of way widening or drainage improvements.

Rob Clemens underscored the ACC's interest in this area's water quality, wetlands, and wildlife habitat protection.

Public Comment:

Ryan Morse, 79 County Road, asked when the abutters will be able to give input to this project.

Rob Clemens explained that abutters to the proposal have a full voice at Planning Board meetings about this project, and also at ACC meetings, to the extent that comments deal with conservation items.

In response to a question from Ryan Morse, Chad Branon explained that road improvements in the area might include widening, drainage, and safety items. Chad Branon stated that he anticipates that the town will look to pave the dirt road, but that is up for discussion.

In response to a question from Frank Montesanto, Chad Branon stated that an endangered species study will be completed down the road. The Heritage Bureau and Fish & Game will work to address wildlife issues and may request additional studies.

Chad Branon stated that this application is next slated to go before the Planning Board conceptually. The applicant will continue to move forward at the pace allowed in these circumstances. After the preliminary design phase, he will be better able to discuss the buffer area impacts with the ACC in detail.

**c. Chad Branon – updates**

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Chad Branon explained that the Carlson Manor project is being prepped to submit a CUP application to the Planning Board. He stated that the Planning Board was looking for ACC input on the application. He asked if the ACC would like to do a site walk. The application should be submitted to the town in about two weeks.

Chad Branon explained that a wetland bisects this property. There is one wetland crossing proposed. The project has under 1,000ft<sup>2</sup> of disturbance. The landscape plans look to improve a revegetation area around the wetland buffer that runs through the center of the property. Additional plantings to densify the area are being proposed. He explained that the site is very flat and that the plan is to not cut trees in areas not best suited for it. This property is a Tier 1 water source, so the State will have specific requirements for pretreatment. The pretreatment proposed is a gravel wetland to remove any sediment. This will be highly regulated, as it's located in a watershed area. He explained that there will also be environmental studies completed to show that there is no impact to the brook's water temperature on site, otherwise changes will be made to mitigate this.

Public Comment:

Linda Sutherland, 32 Peacock Brook Lane, asked if this project also satisfies the PRD requirement of 40% open space preserved.

Chad Branon explained that a minimum of 13 acres on the property needs to be preserved, and this plan proposes just shy of 20 acres being proposed; thus, it does satisfy this requirement.

In response to a question from Linda Sutherland, Chad Branon explained that there are not vernal pools in the developable part of the property. This will be further addressed at the CUP presentation.

In response to a question from Rob Clemens, Chad Branon explained that the stormwater runoff would flow into a proposed management basin (gravel wetland). There will also be a berm built in the low area of the site to treat and infiltrate. The state requires treatment prior to infiltration on this site, such as through a lined basin with no influence from seasonal groundwater.

Rob Clemens noted that one concern of the ACC's is to preserve the temperatures of the brook as a tributary to Witches Spring and Pennichuck Brook.

Chad Branon explained that infiltration is being proposed in a certain spot on the property because it is not open to the sun and will be cooled naturally as it infiltrates back into the ground.

Chad Branon stated that the Brook Road project currently has stormwater mitigation and septic designs completed. The plan is being frontloaded with studies that are being completed. The plan still looks to preserve a substantial amount of land and still proposes a similar density.

**d. 39 Stearns Road**



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Frank Montesanto explained that he is happy that the applicants took into consideration the idea to rotate the proposed addition. This gives more room near the buffer on site.

John Harvey asked that the Community Development Office check into the fact that the proposal looks to update the existing home to 6 bedrooms, 2 of which are currently proposed as offices. A future buyer might want to convert those offices back into bedrooms, thus leaving the site's septic system undersized.

Bill Stoughton noted John Harvey's point and stated that the question will be asked at the Planning Board level.

**TOPICS:**

**5. Buck Meadow Update**

John Harvey explained that most of the work has been completed, aside from improving the perimeter trail. He would like to plan a time to announce this new acquisition at a Board of Selectmen meeting, and then make it public through Facebook. He explained that mowing the trail will make it adequate for most of the town to use, until the ACC can determine what it would like to do to upgrade it to being more accessible.

Bill Stoughton stated that he reached out to the Bedford Conservation Commission, the State, and Crotched Mountain Rehab regarding accessible trail work. Bedford and the State were able to provide him with some good information.

John Harvey noted that Rob Clemens needs to follow up with Fish & Game regarding the possible sand piles for turtle nesting on site. He explained that Mark Worwitz and the Girl Scouts will be putting in 4-5 bird boxes in the next few months. He stated that the grasslands on site are currently weak, innutritious and have no real value to wildlife. It will take about 2-3 years for these areas to have value again. The ACC can look to intervene in this process and purchase a conservation mix to have the property seeded with for about \$1,000.

Rob Clemens stated that the site is currently so dry that any growing will be hard-pressed during this time. He stated that he will speak to Craig Fraley about possible irrigation on the site towards the fall.

The group discussed the kiosk and site map. Vick Bennison and Frank Montesanto will go to the site tomorrow to determine the location of the kiosk.

John Harvey explained that he will be a Girl Scout leader for the next few months. The girls will help to construct the bird boxes to be installed on site. The girls have also agreed to help with bird sightings and recordings on the property. A couple of the girls have also mentioned an interest in making YouTube videos about the project.

The group discussed the installation of the large sign at the entrance to the property. Peter Lyon stated that Eric Hahn, DPW Director, will probably be happy to help install the sign to the extent

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that he can. Peter Lyon asked that the sign be placed in the appropriate location due to the state road it will be located on.

The group was in agreement that the ACC should pay half of the cost to install the sign from the gift account. The cost for this is not yet known.

#### **6. Amherst Clean-up Day**

Kristan Patenaude stated that Amherst Town-Wide Clean-Up Day will be held on August 8, 2020. Kits of bags and gloves are currently available for pick-up at Moulton's Market, the Homestead, and the Library lobby. After collecting trash, people can bring the bags back to two dumpster sites in town: at the entrance to Souhegan High School and on the Green. The dumpsters will be available through the weekend for deposits.

#### **7. Other Business**

John Harvey explained that the bird boxes in Sky Meadow were recently serviced. There was evidence that bluebirds had been using them. The nest detritus was scattered so that the boxes can be used again.

John Harvey explained that he had a virtual meeting with Sara Siskavich from NRPC regarding the large trail and open space map for the town. He will also have a proposal soon regarding the mowing of 5-6 fields in town.

**John Harvey moved to name the Purtell easement trail the Atherton Trail and fund a roadway hiker icon sign to be placed along Old Mont Vernon Road. He also noted that there should be a small kiosk with a 'thank you' to Mr. Purtell for his donation. Frank Montesanto seconded.**

**The group discussed installing the sign on a tree, instead of placing a sign in the ground.**

**Bill Stoughton asked that the easement language be checked regarding building a structure on the trail.**

**Roll call: Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; John Harvey – aye; Rich Hart – aye; Frank Montesanto – aye; and Bill Stoughton – aye. Motion carried unanimously.**

Vick Bennison stated that he has reblazed Pond Parish and would like to upgrade the 'You are here' signs and purchase a trail map for the new Atherton Trail.

**Vick Bennison moved to expend an amount, not to exceed \$100, for four trail signs out of the Signage budget line. John Harvey seconded.**

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**The group discussed that there is an effort to shift the Pond Parish Trail away from the residents' backyards.**

**Rob Clemens noted that the Mont Vernon Conservation Commission is impressed with the ACC's 'You are here' signs that are up at Caesar's Brook.**

**The group agreed that Vick Bennison should blaze the Beaver Dam Overlook Trail that goes down to Spring Road.**

**Roll call: Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; John Harvey – aye; Rich Hart – aye; Frank Montesanto – aye; and Bill Stoughton – aye. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Vick Bennison moved to expend an amount, not to exceed \$150, for new trail signs that were missing information. Bill Stoughton seconded.**

**Rob Clemens questioned if this is a want versus need item.**

**Vick Bennison stated that he believes most who walk the areas want it to be clear from the signs where the trail goes.**

**Vick Bennison withdrew his motion.**

**Vick Bennison moved to expend an amount, not to exceed \$50, for a Jake's Rest sign to be installed in Buck Meadow. John Harvey seconded.**

**Roll call: Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; John Harvey – aye; Rich Hart – aye; Frank Montesanto – aye; and Bill Stoughton – aye. Motion carried unanimously.**

Vick Bennison questioned if the ACC should order more PVC signs to replace the “no motor vehicles,” “no littering,” and blaze educational signs.

Bill Stoughton suggested that a sign plan be drafted to show what will be needed this year and what can be afforded. Rob Clemens agreed. Vick Bennison agreed to work on this item.

Bill Stoughton noted that, in regard to the previously discussed Purtell kiosk, the easement language states that the ACC must secure the consent of the grantor prior to the construction of any structure on site. The grantor is identified as the Purtell Realty Trust.

Vick Bennison noted that a sign could still be installed on a tree for that trail.

The group discussed some blue diamond blazes found on the Joe English trails. It's unknown as to where they came from or their purpose.

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Frank Montesanto explained that the roadwork is close to being complete on Christian Hill Road. The embankment on Lyndeborough Road has been extended. No guardrail was needed in that area, but unfortunately there was no extra room created for parking vehicles. Once the area has been hydroseeded and the silt fence removed, he will work to put in a bridge to get through to Lindabury Orchard without having to go onto the road.

Frank Montesanto showed the group a picture of a frog pond on the Wilson Lot. He explained that the drainage area now drains directly into the frog pond from the curb. This is a new drainage way that is much steeper than it was before. He questioned if the group would like to get water samples from the pond.

Rich Hart noted that he thought the frog pond was sort of a vernal pool because it has no outlet. It does appear to be receiving more water runoff now. This could be a good spot for the town to test for salt in the future.

Rob Clemens noted that Eric Hahn should be asked if the DPW plans for that area during construction had a ramp/outlet on it.

Rich Hart noted that he has split about two cords of wood in his yard. The dry wood will go to those in need, and the green wood will be dried for later donation. He explained that he hopes to have about 10 yards cut and split by next summer. He also noted that the fruit trees in his yard seem to be doing well this year. He suggested that, if the apple trees at Lindabury Orchard are doing well this year, bags of apple could be sold to raise money. He will also be working to rake up apples in order to help get rid of some of the apple scab. This would be a great project for high schoolers or scouts.

Rob Clemens thanked the Commissioners for attending the public hearing regarding the Gleason easement.

**Rob Clemens moved to expend \$516 for closing fees for the Gleason easement from the Conservation Fund. John Harvey seconded.**

**Roll call: Vick Bennison – aye; Rob Clemens – aye; John Harvey – aye; Rich Hart – aye; Frank Montesanto – aye; and Bill Stoughton – aye. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Bill Stoughton moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:46pm. Vick Bennison seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kristan Patenaude*

Minutes approved as amended: September 9, 2020