

TOWN OF

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Town Hall
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Stoneham Conservation Commission
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**STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
MARCH 20 2023 REMOTE 7 PM**

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Jessica Gerke, Megan Day, Norman L'Esperance, Domenick Cimina and Rob Fotino

Virtually meeting due to executive order until May 11, 2023

DISCUSSION

Conservation Commission Organization

Alex Rozycki and Jessica Gerke Co Chairs

Appointment to Storm water, continued until next meeting.

Whip Hill

Garden Club requests electrical work update Quinn Electric

Quote received from Quinn Electric to Town. Mr. Previte getting a second quote for comparison.

Megan Day asks who is paying for it. Town being reimbursed by Trust. Jessica Gerke seeking clarity of process, and who decides what work is to be done at Whip Hill. Megan Day would like to know who is responsible. Jessica Gerke read trust documents, administrator Ellen McBride has some responsibility as overseer of trust and Bob Galvin may help with clarity. Jessica Gerke says we will have a discussion with trust administrator Ellen McBride.

Megan Day asks for schedule maintenance list and what is caretakers' responsibilities. Window cleaning has not happened. Jessica Gerke sent list of questions to Dennis Sheehan and Jen DeCourcy, Jessica Gerke needs to speak with Ellen McBride and Attorney Galvin. Jessica Gerke would like to understand process.

Liz Cohen, Camp and Youth Development Director, Friends of the Middlesex Fells Reservation

Request to use space for Annual Staff Training June 20-23rd

Ok to use space. Megan Day states this falls under Conservation purview. Domenick Cimina asks if Conservation has the authority to book events at Whip Hill. Norman L'Esperance asks if a vote is necessary. No concerns about event happening for Middlesex Fells Reservation meetings.

Warrant Article Update

Restriction of Dogs from cemeteries

Change from last meeting to include cemeteries only.

Concern about dog walking being moved to Whip Hill does not exist any more. Megan Day states this is no longer jurisdictional with new language.

Reappointment for Conservation Commission 2023

Letters to Select Board

Megan Day and Jessica Gerke to send letters to Select Board. Rob Fotino is thanked for his years of service. If anyone has contacts in Town that would like to join the Commission please encourage them. Jessica Gerke suggests Facebook post considered on community page. May 6th is Stoneham 101 for new members of Community mentioned by Megan Day. People who have a desire to protect wetland resources. Norman L'Esperance any means possible to let people know. Rob Fotino suggests mentioning at Town meeting.

Miscellaneous

Jessica Gerke asks if anyone has additions to future agendas.

Approve Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2023

Motion to approve by Norman L'Esperance seconded by Megan Day. Roll Call Jessica Gerke, Megan Day, Norman L'Esperance, Domenick Cimina and Rob Fotino 5/0 yes

Next Meeting April 10, 2023

Motion to adjourn by Domenick Cimina seconded by Norman L'Esperance Roll call Jessica Gerke, Megan Day, Norman L'Esperance, Domenick Cimina and Rob Fotino yes 5/0