



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Type:.....**Regular Meeting**  
Date:.....**October 25, 2022**  
Time:.....**6:30 p.m.**  
Place:.....**Community Room**  
Address:.....**43 Bombardier Road, Milton**  
Contact:.....**(802) 893-1186**  
Website:.....**www.miltonvt.gov**

### MEETING MINUTES

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*Dan Gaherty, Chair William Pikul, Vice-chair Laurie DiCesare, Clerk Bonnie Pease, Member Pamela Sandoval, Member Kris Dulmer, Milton Tree Warden & MCC liaison, Jenna Tucker Eugair, Director of Recreation*

#### 1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Dan Gaherty at 6:40 p.m.

#### 2. Attendance:

Members Present: Laurie DiCesare, Dan Gaherty, Bonnie Pease, and Pamela Sandoval.

Members absent: William Pikul

Staff Present: Kris Dulmer (Tree Warden / MCC Liaison)

Public Present: None

#### 3. Agenda Review:

Dan added scheduling for Conservation Commission meetings in November and December.

#### 4. Business:

**A. Scheduling Upcoming MCC meetings:** Dan suggested we combine our Nov. and Dec. 2022 MCC meetings. We agreed that Dec. 13 (back-up date Dec. 20) would work well for everyone. Dan will work on scheduling a room.

**B. Milton Town Forest (MTF) Walk with Ethan Tapper (Oct. 1, 2022):** Dan, Pamela and Kris attended the walk with County Forester Ethan Tapper. About 16 people attended including Jacob from the VT Audubon Society who provided birding information.

**C. Milton Town Forest Management Plan re: Stand 6:** Harold Torre owns the land adjacent to the MTF, a potential access site for logging equipment. The project is on hold until next year.

**D. Milton Town Forest ADA Trail Project:** Dan said we have not yet received a renewed wetlands permit from the State of VT. Dan and Cymone Haiju are working on the RFP. Dan wanted to include more specific distance for prospective bidders, so he and Bonnie made measurements from the VYCC bridge to the first proposed elevated walkway and from there to the second elevated walkway.

**E. Mowing the Milton Town Forest Field:** Bonnie said it had been about 6 years since the field past the pine tree stand had been mowed. The field by the Carriage Barn (on

Bonnie's property) was mistakenly mowed instead. She then re-directed the mower to the correct field.

**f. Trail Maintenance Projects: MTF:** Materials for two elevated walkways (on the trail to the right past the maple tapper's bridge) have been sent to William's property for pre-cutting. These will be similar to the elevated walkways we recently installed at the Lamoille Riverwalk. Kris may be able to help on the project.

**5. Staff Update:** None

**6. Nature Notes:** Pamela walked Bombardier Park. Bonnie brought in a very large leaf from an unknown tree that Kris identified as a Paulowina tree that is usually found farther south of here and is not hardy enough to last the winter. Laurie saw a hawk near her home on East Road. Bonnie reported that beavers have returned to the Milton Marsh and the water level is again rising. Dan said he cleared 10 blow-downs at Eagle Mountain. Kris reported finding a Pignut Hickory tree at Eagle Mountain. He also found a 21-inch circumference white Birch tree that he believes is a state record. Dan saw a Great Blue Heron.

**7. Approval of Minutes:** Bonnie MOVED that we approve the Minutes of September 27, 2022. Laurie SECONDED. All in favor. MOTION PASSED.

**8. Adjournment:**

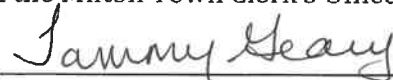
Bonnie MOVED that we adjourn. Laurie SECONDED. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:58p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laurie DiCesare, MCC Clerk

APPROVED MINUTES:

 Date: 20 DEC, 2022  
Dan Gaherty, Chair

Filed with the Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 20 day of December, 2022.

ATTEST:  Milton Town Clerk