

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 14, 2024 – 6:00PM (VIA ZOOM)

1. Call to Order. Lee Potter called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.
2. Roll Call. Present: Lee Potter and Tom Blagden. Absent: Maria Grace, Zach Sadow, Susan Rand, Steve Fitch and Sarah Webb. Attending: Curtis Rand.
3. Approval of October 10, 2024 Minutes. Tabled; no quorum present.

#### General Conversation – Curtis Rand

Reminded the Commission that they need to set a schedule of regular meeting dates for 2025 for the Town Clerk to post; L. Potter will email the members, regarding time and dates. Special meetings can be scheduled, but are limited to the posted agenda items and may not include general discussions of other topics. Reminded the Commission of the limits of email, per FOIA rules; all discussion should take place during meetings. C. Rand will make other help available when it is needed for projects, such as the vernal pools.

4. NRI Update – C. Rand would like the current NRI to become a “live” document, with annual updates to include new items, such as the Hydrilla problem. Commission members can make recommendations on different topics in the NRI in 2025. T. Blagden asked about the status of the existing NRI; C. Rand responded that it would be good review and to fit it in with the POCD and keep it current. T. Blagden asked about having in-person meetings: C. Rand responded that the having hybrid meetings, at Town Hall with the Zoom link, is the option available. Meetings “in the field” are considered in-person. L. Potter asked if the current NRI model is OK; C. Rand mentioned that funds could be found for updating the project, such as new maps, and putting in links. C. Rand suggested that early next year, this Commission could pick topics to review and then have NRI updates by the end of next year. L. Potter asked if some “hard copy” was available; C. Rand answered yes, some of it could be made available and suggested that M. Grace and Abby Conroy could talk about it.  
T. Blagden and S. Rand have been re-appointed to the Commission.
5. CACIWC meeting – Abby Conroy and Miles Todaro will attend and provide notes; C. Rand suggested looking at the newsletter, also.
6. Future meetings for IWWC and P&Z – Not discussed.

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by L. Potter at 6:30pm.