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HAMPDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes July 13, 2022, 2022
Town House Auditorium

Meeting called to order: 07/13/2022

Members Present: Judy McKinley Brewer, Ted Zebert, Thomas Page, John Cushman, Greg D'Agostino, Andrew Netherwood

Meeting called to order: 07/13.2022 @ 6:05pm

June 29, 2022 minutes reviewed. Thom made a motion to approve. Ted seconded. All in favor

Public Comment: none

Agenda Items:

1. Mt. Vision Entrance presentation by Heather Comee – Judy recused herself – Heather explained that there were two parts to the RDA.
 - a. The Drainage Ditch – A 15 inch asphalt corrugated pipe will be installed in the ditch. Cover over the pipe and other associated grading will gently connect the road to the trail.
 - b. Relocation of 140 ft. of trail – This is proposed so as to move the trail onto town owned land. Very little vegetation will be removed. Wood chips will be placed onto the new trail. Run off will be controlled by water barricades. Trees will be dug into the trail every few yards to divert the runoff water. Permanent markers will be installed marking private property on the edge of the new trail.The commission voted to continue the meeting until July 20th. NHESP has not yet responded.
2. 308 Somers Rd – Mr. Carabetta and the new property owner Mr. Ainsworth were in attendance. Mr. Ainsworth will need to follow the restoration plans previously submitted and approved by the commission. "Plan for Restoration of Vegetation within the 200' Riverfront Area and the 100' Buffer Zone to a Bordering Vegetated Wetland" This plan was prepared and final revision by Mike Mocko, Environmental Consultant April 12, 2022. The restoration plantings must be monitored for two years. The plantings are expected to go in this fall 2022. Mr. Ainsworth will hire a wetland specialist to oversee the restoration. Judy made a motion to issue a positive #5 (subject to review under the Town of Hampden Wetland Bylaw,), and a negative #3 (Although work is within a buffer zone, it will not alter an area subject to protection under the act.) The work must follow the final revision of the Restoration Plan submitted by Mike Mocko, April 12, 2022. Ted seconded. All members voted in favor.
3. The commission voted to send the building inspector a note giving approval of the proposed solar panels being installed at 132 Allen Street

With no further business Thom made a motion to adjourn at 7:10pm. Ted seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Geromini Admin. Assistant