

NORTH STONINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
February 17, 2022 @ 6:00 pm
Old High School Media Center
Regular Meeting

Agenda

Call to order:

Attendance:

Minutes of January Meeting:

Citizen Comments:

Old Business:

- Goals for 2022
- Land Acquisition Fund request of \$20,000 sent to the Board of Selectmen. - Bill
 - Still in budget but reduced to \$10,000
 - Currently the fund has \$ 73K
- Fire Fly Farm monitoring. No progress Still with Attorney Callaghan.
- Water testing at Hewitt Farm: see attached correspondence
- Community Calendar sales: **sold out**
- Historic Hiking Trail with Middle Schoolers – Bill
- Budget – 2/8/22 to BOS and spoke on our behalf. Unanimous support from BOS
- Development of NoSto Bike Trail – Steve
- Letter with recommended revisions to Pocket Park abutter (mailed 1/25/22). – Bill
- Avalonia request for parking at Sweet property. ~Bill
- CT Trails Day – Steve
- Updated website - Steve

New Business:

- Conservation Easement 5-year monitoring
- Continued review of Plan of Conservation & Recreation section of the 2013 POCD

Correspondence: none

Handouts: monitoring list, 2022 goals

Adjournment

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
GOALS & OBJECTIVES
2021-2022**

Ongoing:

- Update monitoring of all conservation easements and open space parcels
- Maintain all 6 municipal trails, now including kayak launch access.
- Maintain Pocket Park: mowing, repair & maintenance, replanting
- Keep 4 separate trail maps stocked at Library, town hall and Chelsea-Groton Bank Public education and outreach
 - NoStoFest - trees for children & interactive trail map
 - Quarterly articles
 - Community Calendar ???

New Initiatives:

- Develop a bike trail within town boundaries
- Work toward updating 2013 POCD with eye toward 2023
- Maintain availability to review and recommend comments on new land developments

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CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

To be monitored every 5 years by way of Google Earth or walkabout.
To be logged in individual binders in new Town Hall land office safe.

	Parcel Title	Last Monitored	Monitor
#1	Jeremy Hill Subdivision	1-22-16	Ricker
#2	Sacco Subdivision	5-10-17	Charnetsky
#3`	Anna Farm Estates	3-26-15	Speh
#4	Ragonese Subdivision	1-30-16	Ricker
#5	Shunock-Main Crossing	8-1-19	Ricker
#6	Lakeview North Subdivision	7-11-17	Colgan
#7	Lakeview South Subdivision	2-25-19	Degoursey/Ricker
#8	Wyassup Brooke Subdivision	2-23-19	Colgan/Ricker
#9	Lake of Isle (golf course)	3-30-16	Ricker
#10	Shunock Estates	5-10-17	Charnetsky
#11	Wintechog Hill Subdivision (triangular parcel alongside road)	4-2-17	Ricker
#12	Chester Main Bridle Trail (3 parcels transferred ownership to Chester Main Homeowners Association April 2018 by town meeting. Parcel #3892 to cemetery retained by town exclusively)		

TOWN OWNED OPEN SPACE

#13	Lakeview North Subdivision (renamed Stewart Hill Preserve)	4-14-19	Ricker
#14	Stewart Hill Preserve (previous title: Lakeview Farms Subdivision)	5-21-19	Vlieks/Ricker
#15	Hangman Hill Preserve (previous title: Reuteman Road Subdivision)	10-2-18	Degoursey
#16	Wilkenson Subdivision Foreclosure	4-21-19	Ricker
#17	Hewitt Farm Property (to be handled by Hewitt Farm Committee)	6-4-09	last done by Ricker
#18	Assekong Borderlands (previous title: Kingswood-Meadowwood)	?	Farrand

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#19	Waco/Billings Subdivision	4-2-19	Ricker	
#20	Lakeview West Subdivision	NOTE: Needs markers	1-23-15	Rose
#21	Downes-Patterson Subdivision (2 parcels on Wyassup Lake Rd and Armstrong Pentway and 1 parcel opposite Wyassup Lake dam on Wyassup Road).			*
	Note: To be monitored by North Stonington Citizen Land Alliance	2-23-18	Ricker	
#22	Firefly Farm (designated private open space) Must be monitored by mutual agreement 2x a year in Jan & June by personal phone call and Google Earth	7-1-21	Ricker	