

Members: Members: Chairman Carsten Springer, Jason Holder, Allan Hess, Patty Shogren (alternate member)

Absent: David Caillouette, Bobby Lorrie

Others in attendance: none

Meeting called to order @ 7:40PM and televised. Patty appointed a voting member

Pledge of Allegiance was recited: by those present.

Minutes: Allan made the motion, seconded by Jason, to accept the April 6, 2017 minutes as amended; Motion passed.

Carsten reviewed the letter of support written to planning board for the GZA/Eversource wetland crossings. Patty made the motion, seconded by Allan, authorizing the Chair to sign the letter; motion passed.

Old Business: Carsten updated the Commission on the grafting project done this past week by Bobby, Allan, Carsten, and newly appointed commission alternate Ed Lang. Approximately 25 grafts were completed including varieties such as McIntosh, Cortland, and Mary Ann.

Carsten asked Jason if he had done any research on the acreage in Long Pond and Jason stated he had not. Patty noted that she had looked into the definition of a body of water and stated "A body of water or waterbody (often spelled water body) is any significant accumulation of water, generally on a planet's surface. The term most often refers to oceans, seas, and lakes, but it includes smaller pools of water such as ponds, wetlands, or more rarely, puddles."

New Business: The Commission discussed the culling of trees near the property line at Rte 111A and Beach Plain Road and it was noted that Allan had coordinating the tree cutting with abutter / land owner.

The Commission chose May 6, as a work day and a rain date of May 13 for work at the Sanborn conservation property.

Carsten stated that Patty had the idea to extend the parking lot from its current point to the existing easterly access point, creating a horseshoe-styled parking entrance/exit/parking area. It was agreed that this should be done. Jason made the motion, seconded by Patty, to authorize Carsten and/or Allan to price rip-rap as a base for the parking area as well as gravel; motion passed.

Adjournment: At 8:00 PM Jason made the motion, seconded by Allan to adjourn; motion passed.

Respectively,

Patty Shogren

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Amended/Approved on May 4, 2017 by majority of the Commission