

RYE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Natural Resource Inventory Work Shop
Tuesday, May 5, 2020
1:00 p.m. – Via ZOOM

Members Present: Chair Suzanne McFarland, Vice-Chair Sally King, Heather Reed, Karen Oliver and Danna Truslow

I. Call to Order

Chair McFarland called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Karen Oliver and Danna Truslow were seated. (quorum present)

II. Compliant Right to Know Statement

Statement by Chair McFarland:

As chair of the Conservation Commission, I find that due the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:

*Utilizing Zoom for this electronic meeting. All members of the Commission have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this or by clicking on the following website address: www.zoom.com
Meeting ID: 867-6151-4644 Password: 347685*

We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the meeting using Zoom or telephonically. Instructions have also been provided on the website of the Commission at town.rye.nh.us on the Conservation Commission page and click on agenda for this meeting.

In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

Attendance by Roll Call:

- Suzanne McFarland
- Karen Oliver
- Danna Truslow
- Heather Reed
- Sally King

(All members noted that there was no one else present in the room with them for the work session.)

III. Review Request for Proposal (RFP)

Chair McFarland presented the draft RFP on the screen for the Commission to review.

Comments:

- Addition – The Town of Rye, New Hampshire on behalf of the Rye Conservation Commission
- First paragraph change “Specific tasks required are” to “Specific tasks required include”
- Second paragraph removed with “See Submittal Requirements section at the end of this RFP for submittal details” added.
- **Task A:** Addition to last sentence – within 30 days of the final meeting.
- **Task A:** Addition after last sentence - Assume five (5) meeting for budgeting purposes.
- **Task B:** Items arranged to be in the same category.
- **Task B:** “sand & gravel deposits” removed
- **Task D:** #13 change Rye Tax Department to Rye Assessor
- **Task D:** should Lunging Island be included in #16?
- **Section 2:** Added to 2.3 – Wells and Well Protection Areas
- **Section 2:** Addition - 2.5 Water Quality
- **Section 2:** Add – 2.7 Bedrock geology, surficial geology, sand and gravel resources
- **Section 2:** To be called Water Resources and Geologic Resources
- **Section 3:** Addition – Wildlife Habitats included in maps for Rye
- **Section 4:** Added to 4.2.1 – and other conservation lands
- **Section 8:** Addition – 8.4.1 Land in Current Use
- **Section 8:** Addition – 8.5.1 – Unfragmented Land Blocks
- **Submittals** – Instructions on how to submit proposals was added
- Draft will go to Lisa Wise and Amanda Stone for their review.

IV. Next Steps

- ❖ Amanda Stone and Lisa Wise to meet with the group via Zoom on Thursday, May 7th, 1:00 p.m.

V. Bills

- BCM - \$3,007.50

The Commission discussed the email received from the Town asking for payment from RCC in the amount of \$3,007.50.

Motion by Suzanne McFarland to accept the Town's proposal that the billing RCC received of \$4,007.50 be reduced to a total bill for the month of April for \$3,007.50.

Seconded by Sally King.

Roll Call: Danna Truslow – Aye; Karen Oliver – Aye; Heather Reed – Aye; Sally King – Aye; Suzanne McFarland – Aye

Motion passed.

Chair McFarland noted the Commission has already paid a portion of this bill in the amount of \$2,260., which should have gone out this week.

VI. Other Business

Member Reed gave an update to the Commission in regards to RCC's Facebook page, which currently has about 200 followers. She has posted trail maps for Seavey and Marden Woods. She also posted Joe Martelli's Zoom presentation on beekeeping. She welcomes ideas on postings from other commission members.

Adjourn

Motion by Karen Oliver to adjourn at 2:25 p.m. Seconded by Danna Truslow.

Roll Call: Danna Truslow – Aye; Karen Oliver – Aye; Heather Reed – Aye; Sally King – Aye; Suzanne McFarland – Aye

Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana F. Ledger