



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Minutes for Meeting on October 13, 2025

6:30pm – Bat Presentation

8:00pm - Meeting

Rindge Recreation Department, Wellington Road

Members in Attendance: Drouin, Mellor, Lefebvre, Simeone, Rogers, Desruisseaux, Rubendall, Dickler

OLD BUSINESS

- FPU Internship and class project – Rogers
 - Signs have been decided for Mattabesec, project is progressing.
- 250th Declaration of Independence Tree Planting – Lefebvre
 - Location has been finalized and pickup is dependent on hole being dug. Drouin will pick up additional materials for staking and ground cover. Watering logistics and schedule was discussed.
 - Drouin noted positive reaction from Rindge Selectmen in favor of the project.
 - Mellor identified multiple boulders at Tetrault for the 10x6" plaque, dedication ceremony likely in spring-summer 2025 with multiple dates and schedules proposed.
- Conservation Land & Related –
 - Work day October 13 at Ford Wildlife Refuge
 - Successful day with 11 volunteers attending. Lefebvre noted that roots dug may spout again, asked about plan for preventative upkeep which will include spring maintenance.
 - Discussed adding a step at end of bridge, Mellor proposed plank step with excess materials, will update with progress.
 - Contoocook bridge painting
 - Deck was painted, reported good progress.
- Conservationist of the Year (CotY) Award
 - Lefebvre reviewed the parameters for nominations, deadline of November 15. The selection committee is being assembled and will meet after the deadline to review and make decision.
- Merrimack Conservation Grant
 - Dickler noted that grant was awarded for \$4,848. Will update sign proposal and get quantity.

NEW BUSINESS

- Synnott asked about key for Tetreault kiosk to add Recreation/Park Steward information. Mellor suggested a sign at/on the playscape for more visibility.
- Drouin noted November 8 workday and asked for commission to consider project ideas by next meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

- Intent to Cut; Map 2, Lot 41-2a
 - Drouin discussed lot location and scope of project (5 of 9 acres).

Account Approvals & Update

- n/a

Upcoming Events

- NHACC Annual Conference; Saturday November 1
 - Discussed carpooling from Rindge Town Office at 7a. Will elaborate at next meeting.
- October 19 hike at Miriam Hunt Memorial Forest (bat appreciation month) – 3:30pm
 - Rogers leading walk, Rubendall will attend.

- Monadnock Lake Meeting, Monday, October 20, Rindge Recreation Center
 - Presentation at Rec Center at 6:00pm on pollution remediation. All town board have been invited.
- October 24 – Rindge Trunk of Treat at Wellington Road
- October 25 - Music at the Museum, Rindge Historical Museum

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES for September 25, 2025

- Lefebvre moved to approve minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Synnott. Commission voted 7-0 in favor, motion passed. Desruisseaux and Simeone abstained.

ADJOURNMENT

- Dickler moved to adjourn, seconded by Mellor. Commission voted 9-0 in favor, motion passed.
 - Meeting adjourned, 8:36

NEXT MEETING: October 23, 2025 at Town Office

Schedule of 2025 Meetings: Nov.10, Dec. 8.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Nardini