

WESTMORELAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

09-14-2023

In attendance:

April Ferguson, Jon Lounsbury, Doug Oatley, Jean Rudolph, Perry Sawyer

Meeting called to order at 7:10PM

A moment of silence was held to honor Marshall Patmos who had been the chair of the Westmoreland Conservation Commission from 1990-2023 and passed away suddenly on Saturday, August 19, 2023.

Motion made by April to appoint Perry as chair. Jean second. Voted in affirmative.

Motion made by Perry to appoint April as secretary. Doug second. Voted in affirmative.

There were no minutes from the August 10, 2023 meeting to approve.

Discussion evolved regarding the purpose and identity of the Westmoreland Conservation Commission. For clarity of Commission duties it was decided April will reach out to the NH Association of Conservation Commissions and request a member come to our October meeting to address the members regarding this issue.

Perry will set up a Westmoreland Conservation Commission email account to facilitate receiving town, state and federal communications. We will contact individuals who signed up for information at the Old Home Day booth when this is in place.

There was a brief discussion of PFA's. Jean had forwarded an email from NH Farm Bureau Policy Dept. which was informative. April will forward to all members to review and discuss at the October meeting.

It was decided to wait until after contact with the NH Association of Conservation Commission to suggest commission vacancies which will be appointed by the selectmen.

April questioned 'Right to Farm Community' designation. More information will be presented at the October meeting.

Motion to reimburse Jon for Old Home Day booth flyers totaling \$28.68 was made by April, second by Perry and voted in affirmative. April will contact to Jodi Scanlon for a check.

Jon will ask the Westmoreland Elementary School students to help make a Roadside Clean-up sign which is an annual event in the spring our Commission helps sponsor.

Motion to adjourn by Jean at 8:25 second by Jon. Approved.

Motion to reconvene made by John, second by Doug, approved. Meeting reconvened at 8:35PM.

Motion by Jon for the members of the Commission to purchase a brick for the Town Common pathway to honor Marshall Patmos and the many years of service he gave to the Town. Second by April. Approved. Money (\$100.00) was collected. April will fill out brick form and give to Jodi Scanlon with payment.

Motion to adjourn by April second by Jean. Meeting adjourned at 9:05PM.

Next meeting October 12 at 7PM

Respectfully submitted,

April Ferguson, Secretary

Minutes recorded are unapproved until voted for approval by Westmoreland Conservation Commission members at the next scheduled meeting.