Bristol Conservation Commission (BCC) Minutes

Sept 9, 2021 6:00 pm

Location: Outside at the Rec Club pavilion near the Hub or thereabouts

Members Present: Carolyn Dash, Chair (CD), Kristen Underwood, Vice Chair (KU), Zelie Smith, (ZS), Helen Young (HY), Jono Chapin (JC)

Members of the Public: Alex Mihavics (AM), Dave Henderson (DH), Michele Gilbert (MG) I Call to order at 6:05

II Public Comment Period

MG is from Rise Vermont and is working to improve the disc golf course behind MAUHS. Rise Vermont is able to provide funding for disc golf classes and is working to get community groups involved and interested. MG is also interested in helping develop a course at sycamore park.

IV Review and approval of minutes from July 8th

KU motion, HY second- the minutes were approved

VI Old Business

A. Conservation Commission Membership:

no new updates

B. Bristol Trail Network (BTN)

- a. Building Communities Grant letter of support was sent in July.
- b. The mulch in the sycamore park parking lot will be incorporated into the trails at sycamore park. Potentially helped by the BTN fall intern.

C. Parks Updates:

Eagle: Eagle park picnic table needs attention, the top and seats need the wood replaced. DH briefed the BCC about the Eagle Park memorial going up for Pete Diminico. A boulder monument has been chosen. BCC approved the placement of the monument in Eagle Park.

Eagle Park:

Sumac is encroaching on the garden space and needs to be addressed.

Memorial:

HY walked Memorial Park and made an initial tree list.

Sycamore:

The recreation department is exploring the idea of putting a disc golf course at sycamore park.

A lot adjacent to the park is changing hands. This parcel has a right of way through the park so may affect vehicle activity through the park.

The parking lot at sycamore park was regraded.

Saunders River Access- updates: none

a. Universal Fishing Platform and ramp updates-

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i. Engineers have completed the survey and design for the platform. They will be presenting the designs at the select board meeting on the 27th of September.

D. Website: Explore Bristol pdf

A few links were added to the Explore Bristol pdf that provide information about fishing and equipment rentals.

E. Edith Stock Trust-

- a. In the spring the BCC will plan a work day to install the bird houses donated by the trust.
- **F.** Next meeting location- In person and on zoom, based in the Holley Hall conference room.

IX Next Meeting: October 14, 2021

BCC to discuss having a protocol for dealing with future requests for memorials at parks.

X Adjournment

7:24 KU made the motion, JC seconded the motion. The motion was passed.