

# Groveton Conservation Commission

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## Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2021

### In Attendance:

Ed Mellet, Brian Newton, John Normand, Dale Covey

Meeting called to order @ 7:10 PM

- The minutes from 10/21/20 were reviewed and approved. :::: John moved minutes be approved, Brian seconded. All voted in favor.
- Bills: \$540 for Matthew Boivin for Barre Conservation Camp was proposed and motion was made by Ed to approve. Brian seconded. All approved.
- The committee members present acknowledged that they (we) will continue to plan on funding one student per year to attend the Barre Conservation Camp. This was also discussed at the October 2020 meeting.
- Ed mentioned the possibility of installing a gate and establishing a parking area which would allow foot travel into the Watershed Town Forest. Ed would check with the state regarding access requirements, feasibility, and permitting. :::: Dale moved to pursue the issue, Brian seconded. All voted in favor.
- Conservation Fund balance as of 1/29/21: \$28,815.20.
- Gray Mist Farm: The Nature Conservancy is in the process of buying the farm. They are scheduled for a presentation to the Connecticut River Joint Commission tomorrow night, April 22.
- Wyoming Dam: Georgia Pacific denied access across their land but is willing to sell the parcel for \$10,800 (assessed value).
- Eversource: Wants to replace all powerline towers between Whitefield and Lost Nation with steel towers. They maintain their clearings by mowing. This Conservation Commission (CC) has not been contacted by Eversource during the process. It is called the "D142 line replacement". Ed will ask for the CC to be included in all correspondence going forward. There is concern by this committee regarding potential impact on wetlands. Ed M has contacted the DES regarding same.
- Building on Winter St.: This building is right on the brook. :::: John B moved that the building please be removed as promised (by selectmen) some 3-5 years ago. Ed seconded. All approved.
- Tree Farm: Dale said he would follow-up with Haven Neal and try to get the town tree farms inspected.
- :::: John moved we adjourn until September. Ed seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned @ approximately 8 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dale Covey