

# Rockland Preserve Committee Meeting

January 20, 2021

## PENDING APPROVAL

### Attendance:

Cecily Baran, Richard Nace, David Okemoto, Jason Engelhardt, Joe Oslander, Timothy Burton, Lori Lodge, Scot Erskine, Danielle Nobitz

### Approval of November 2020 minutes

Lori made motion to approve minutes as presented with Dave seconding the motion and all approved.

### Nominations and motion for election of Officers- 2021

Nominations were made for Joes Oslander as Chairman and Lori Lodge as Secretary. Jason made a motion to accept the slate of offices with Dave seconding that motion. All approved.

### Motion to accept the meeting schedule and times for 2021

Motion – Dave made motion. All by approved.

### Discuss Goals and projects for 2021 and approval with motion

Joe will provide notes on the goals and projects for 2021 since most of this has already been discussed.

### Update report for Coan Pond trail monitoring on a weekly basis Rich

We have an abundance of reports for Coan Pond above and beyond what is required.

### Playground and fence installed

Jason

Fence is in place and working well.

### Expansion of parking lot at route 79

Scot, Jason

Discussion regarding some work that will be done to increase the number of parking places. Currently visitors park at 90 degree angles. Changes will include 45 degree parking, the possible relocation of Port-o-lets, the addition of timber post and rail fencing and the painting of lines to guide the new parking system. This would allow for four rows of parking. Traffic through the lot will be one way.

### Rules sub- committee

Jason

Subcommittee believes that they are well written. Jason will distribute recommendations to the committee and we will discuss further at next meeting. All changes that are then recommended would have to go before Board of Selectmen and all changes in fines would require discussion with PD. Charter revision is being done soon so any changes that this group would like to propose to the Charter will need to be presented to the committee for consideration. Charter Committee is starting work at present time. The Charter is online and the committee will review for any recommendations for changes.

**Pump Track and dead trees**

**Scot, Jason**

Charlie Iselin of IselinTree Experts is donating his time to take down trees at the pump track.

**Invasives and Dave Roach and Coan Pond**

**Joe**

There are a number of invasives around the pond. The cost is \$4,800 to remove all of the invasive which would be done in strategic stages throughout the year. Scott will talk with Dave about tag teaming this project with his crew to reduce the price of the project.

**Other- How is R.P.'s Forest is it struggling, what can be done? Cecily**

Cecily voiced some concern about the health of Rockland. Joe will try to bring in a speaker who can talk with the committee this year who has recently presented to the Land Trust.

**North side of Coan Pond –wild pollinator garden/native habitat restoration Cecily**

Cecily is interested in putting in a wild pollinator garden on the north side of the pond once the invasives are removed. She will put together a sub-committee develop a plan to present to the committee.

**Next meeting:** March 15, 2021

Respectfully submitted-

Lori Lodge