

Bolton Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: March 19, 2012
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Bolton Town Office
Members Present: Tony Barbagallo, Lexie Haselton, Zack Schwartz

Preston Pond Management Plan Committee (PPMPC) Members

The select board approved the following residents as the PPMPC members: Joss Bess, Juliette Juillerat, Rob Ricketson, Lars Botzjorns, Lexie Haselton.

Bolton CC member update

Quinn Keating has joined the Bolton CC and was approved by the Select Board. Keith Fitzpatrick resigned from the Bolton CC to make time for his new role on the School Board.

Bolton Conservation Series

The CC discussed and agreed that having a series of public meetings to create a dialog within the town regarding upcoming conservation planning projects would be beneficial to inform, solicit ideas, and hear concerns from all of the town's residents. Some of the future topics would include the Preston Pond Management Plan, the VLT land transaction regarding the Backcountry and Nordic land west of Joiner brook, as well the Potholes proposal by the Vermont River Conservancy.

Vermont River Conservancy/Potholes

Lydia from the Vermont River Conservancy (VRC) discussed the land sale opportunity that has emerged regarding 3 acres of land that include the Bolton Potholes. She explained the conditions of approval necessary for the project to move forward and receive funding, including the town showing interest in ownership. She primarily was interested in the what the CC thought would be a good way to move forward and address the Select Board formally at the April 2nd Select Board meeting. The CC members suggested that the first step would be to create a public process and get feedback from residents before asking for a formal approval. Lydia stated that the VRC would be willing to hold 2 public hearings