



**Town of Henniker Conservation
Commission**

**Wednesday August 2nd, 2023, 7PM Grange Hall
& Zoom**

Members Present: Holly Green (via zoom), Mark Mitch, Ross Bennett, Maegan Gagne, Roni Hardy,
Selectman Scott Osgood

Member's Excused:

Recording Secretary: Hank Bernstein

Holly Green called the Conservation Commission to order at 7:12PM

Item #1 – Review and approve meeting minutes

The Conservation Commission consensus was to postpone minute approval until the next meeting.

Item #2 – Review Proposals for Forestry Management Plan

The Conservation Commission received two proposals, one from New England Forestry Consultants and one from Meadowsend. The Commission will make their decision at the September meeting.

Item #3 - Mail

The Conservation Commission received a Merrimack County Local Food Guide.

Item #4 – Cogswell Springs Water Works Source Water Project

Holly was approached by the Granite State Rural Water Association, who are working with Cogswell Springs to develop a source water protection plan. This plan would deal with land conservation as well as potential contaminant sources. The Town would like a representative of the Conservation Commission to serve this group. The Commission members discussed schedules and potential volunteers.

Item #5 - Land Conservation Opportunities

Mark spoke with Jeff Evans of Five Rivers Conservation Trust about land conservation opportunities. Two lots were discussed, both with potential interest. The commission will seek more information.

Item #6 - Cyanobacteria Update

There had been a health advisory posted for Keyser Pond, which was removed on July 18th. Mark's samples from the week prior showed it was in good shape. DES is using EPA funds for watershed mitigation. Mark requested to put Henniker on the list.

Item #7 - Other Business

The Conservation Commission discussed a resident inquiry about improving the access road to Long Pond off Shore Drive, asking if they should advise residents to contact DES. Ross noted that it is always good to check with DES for a road so close to a body of water.

Scott moved to adjourn at 7:59PM, seconded by Maegan. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Hank Bernstein
Minute Taker