Meeting Minutes, Lancaster Conservation Commission
Monday, June 10th, 2024

Board members present: Sam Mayne, Vickie Gibbs, Mike Webster
Members of the public: Robin Irving

The meeting was called to order at 5:41 PM.

Vickie moved to accept the May minutes, Sam seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Vickie gave an update on trail work occurring on the Heritage trail, which has produced good progress. She also confirmed that all were comfortable with her purchasing trail paint with LCC funds, which all agreed with.

Vickie moved to clarify that the LCC recommends Mike Webster's LCC appointment be for the current opening for a 3-year term. Sam seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Robin explained a situation at 60 Depot St where a landowner had added fill to the floodplain and asked whether the LCC wanted to weigh in on the potential impacts of the situation. Sam moved that the LCC communicate to all applicable town entities that filling floodplain in this area increases the risk to infrastructure adjacent to the filled area and causes potential erosion and flooding downstream of the site. We request the town enforces the ordinance in this situation. Vickie seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Sam gave a brief report of remaining funds in the LCC budget.

Knotweed treatment was briefly discussed and all members agreed that the town should notify residents ahead of spraying days through Resident Notices.

Sam proposed a strategy for identifying parcel boundaries for LCC easements. He recommended that the easement monitoring team make a concerted effort to locate pins on all LCIP easements during this year's monitoring visits. In the case that no pins are found, he suggests LCC hires a surveyor for properties in order of priority. Priority could be determined based on known potential easement conflicts dependent on boundaries, identified through monitoring visits, public comment, or otherwise.

Vickie moved to adjourn at 6:32, Sam seconded and the motion passed unanimously.