

# ***Poland Conservation Commission***

Town of Poland  
1231 Maine St.  
Poland, Maine 04274

Meeting Minutes, July 8, 2020

**Members Present:** Barry Morgan(co-chairperson), Fred Huntress(co-Chairperson), Donald Stover(Secretary), Fred Morton, Mike Murphy, John Young, Matt Garside (Town Manager).

**Meeting** called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Morgan.

**Minutes** of March meeting were reviewed and approved as presented. April, May and June meetings were cancelled due to coronavirus pandemic.

**Treasurer's report:** Barry states account remains unchanged. The most recent entry was the cost of seedlings. Accepted as presented by Barry.

**Town Meeting Articles:** Town meeting was postponed due to pandemic. The meeting will be held via ballot in August. Two articles were of special interest to Conservation. Article 37 will authorize the purchase of Map15/Lot 6 as an addition to the Heart of Poland. Thanks to an appeal from Steve Robinson, that article will appear on the August ballot. Article 38 would have authorized the sale of Map10/Lot 94 with proceeds to Conservation operating fund. In accordance with efforts to keep the ballot short, the Selectpersons removed that article and will presumably reinstate it in April 2021.

**Heart of Poland:** Mike noted that compost provided by the town was infected with knotweed.

**Town Complex Tree Planting:** The Commission voted thanks to Mike Murphy and Matt Garside for obtaining a grant and planting locust trees in the town complex area.

**Comprehensive Plan:** The major portion of the meeting was conducted by the Town Manager to review conservation assignments from the previous Comprehensive Plan in preparation for an updated plan. The results of that discussion were forwarded to members by Matt on July 9.

**Bragdon Hill Conservation Area:** was placed for discussion on the August agenda.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:55pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 12 at 6:30pm in Ricker Library Community Room.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald Stover, Secretary