

Conservation Commission Minutes
November 11, 2020

Present: Jane Ayres, Susan Allen, Elena Scotti, Eleanor Park, Kristen Hutchins ex Officio, Ann Judd

Minutes of the October 15th, 2020 meeting were approved.

Tree Fund update: Eleanor reported that she had processed many Tree Fund contributions in excess of \$1,000. Jane will give us an update of total 2020 Tree Fund donations at a future meeting. The Tree Inspection was completed by Kris Harper and work scheduled. The Tree Fund budget was prepared for 2021-2022 at the same level as 2020-2021 (\$2,200.00).

Chris' Pond update: Jane reported that the expansion project has had several new developments. An inspection by Doug Beck from the Land and Water Conservation Fund took place at the abutting property, and Island Housing also met with Misha Mytar from the Maine Coast Heritage Trust. The Town Manager would like to apply for a Land and Water Conservation grant that includes the second abutting property and perhaps also the Manset Town Dock. Ann will talk to the Town Manager about including some funds in the Conservation Commission budget for Chris Pond. Everyone felt that it would be important to have some stakeholders and supporters of this project going forward, and getting that group together should be a priority, starting with wintertime users.

Pemetic Tree Planting: Ann R will get back to us with some numbers on trees, plants and installation cost with a goal of accomplishing the planting in the spring of 2021.

Rhoades Park: The Park driveway entrance was paved. The lawn is to be graded in two areas, and some planting will be installed to buffer the new swings that will be purchased next spring. Tim Gott will be placing some rocks at the north end of the parking area to stabilize the bank. Ann presented a draft of the Rhoades Park budget. It was suggested that all the budgets be reformatted to make their presentation clearer – thanks go to Susan and Elena for their help and suggestions.

Next meeting: Zoom January 4th, 2021 at 3;30pm