

**TEMPLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Minutes, July 12, 2017**  
**Location: Chris Weston Conservation Area**

Attendees: Adie Krulis, Lincoln Geiger, Cathy Joly, Sean Radcliffe, Honey Hastings, Dave Repak

Absent: John Kieley

Guest: Camilla Lockwood

Started at 7:05 pm

Approved June 14th minutes.

**Route 45 Properties and potential trail access:**

The group discussed their outing on the Route 45 town owned properties north of downtown Temple. There was extensive discussion of the many options including:

1. Bringing the trail from the four-corners point along south most border of the first (south most) lot, 2-75-1. Pros: Uses and affects only small portion of 1 lot, requires shortest trail, easy to make the trail. Cons: Exits on dangerous turn on Rt 45, furthest from trails on Chris Weston Conservation Area.
2. Bringing the trail from the four-corners point **across** the first (south most) lot, 2-75-1. Pros: Uses and affects only 1 lot, requires longer trail, but easier than following back border. Further from dangerous turn on Rt 45. Cons: Exits on Rt 45, still up the road from trails on Chris Weston Conservation Area.
3. Making trail follow the rock wall back border and then coming out through northern lot (2-75-3). Pros: Exits very close to Chris Weston Conservation area (just across street). Offers opportunity to improve the 'grassy' area on lot across from Chris Weston Conservation area. Cons: Requires longer trail along back rock wall and then trail through 2-75-3 to Rt 45. Additionally, requires approval from owners of 2-75 (between lots 2-75-2 and 2-75-3). The trail would have to be wider to accommodate the steep nature of the land along the back border.
4. Making trail follow the rock wall back border on private lot 2-74 and then coming out through northern lot (2-75-3). Similar Pros and Cons as #3 with complexity of dealing with landowner of 2-74.
5. Make trail from Chris Weston Conservation Area across front of private lot 2-41-3 (east side of 45), then cross Rt 45 to town owned lot 2-75-2, then to four-corners point via option #2 above. *Cathy J will research owners of 2-41-3. Sean R will contact Zajac (owners of 2-75)*

The group considered giving the BOS options but would like to review with John Kieley first.

**Water well protection presentation:**

Camilla attended meeting in Antioch, Keene. Library trustees would like to have a presentation on Water well protection on a Sunday afternoon in Sept or October. The group agreed to support/ co-sponsor.

**Bruce Kantner boxes:**

The group discussed the recent changes in town personnel. The next meeting the group would go through one of the Bruce Kantner boxes. *Cathy J will ask to get one of the boxes to the Annex.*

**Solar energy for town:**

Cathy J had meeting with Wilton concerning potential multi town renewable energy project. The project needs to town's Eversource electric bills (for all buildings for which town pays electricity).

**Tapping trees in Town Forest:**

Lincoln signed the letter and will send in normal mail.

**Potential conservation land project:**

Lincoln reported there has been no response from the owners and/or their lawyers.

The group adjourned at 8:22 pm. Next meeting will be Wednesday, August 09th, 2017

Minutes submitted by Sean Radcliffe. *Italics above indicate tasks to be done.*