

North Hampton (NH) Conservation Commission
Minutes of 5/19/2020 Noon
Site Walk at Woodland Road for
Proposed Oliver Brook Trail

Members attending: Kathy Grant (Vice-Chair), Phil Thayer, Andy Vorkink, Frank Arcidiacono, Allyson Ryder and Audrey Prior

The meeting was called to order at noon with a quorum present.

The purpose of the meeting was to find lot corners and boundary lines to verify that a trail can be constructed from Woodland Road across multiple conserved lots to reach the Higginson lot (Little River Conservancy).

The necessary lot corner markers were found and marked. There is a significant wet area that must be crossed on the western side of lot 12-14 in order to reach the dry portions of the conserved land.

At a prior walk of the property, a location for a bridge on lot 6-79 across Oliver Brook was identified. At this walk, a second area for a possible shorter bridge or stone crossing was found. We were able to hop across it on existing stones.

As Zack Colatch of SCA mentioned after his recent reconnaissance trip across the properties, a crushed stone path was found on adjacent private property that wasn't there at our 2/19/20 walk. It appeared that this path was built in the conserved back land of one of the lots. This should be investigated by the Commission.

As Zach also noted, a number of "POSTED" signs were found on Town land and these were removed or moved back to the property lines.

On the way out to Woodland Road, clear markings of the southern boundary of the "driveway" portion of lot 12-14 were found. This allowed the Commission to mark the 50-foot-wide access to the lot. The phone pole is located near the northern boundary to the property and there is a break in the stone wall there.

At 2:30, resident Aimee Margolis joined the meeting at the Woodland Road entrance.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Grant
Vice-Chair
20 May 2020