

Raymond NH Conservation Commission. Draft Minutes
Site Walk on March 23, 2021

Members Present

Jan Kent, Chairperson
Kathy MacDonald, Vice Chair
Kris Holleran

Members of the Public Present

Tricia Bridgeo

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Jan Kent.

The first property to be reviewed was parcel 008-000-026. This property has frontage on both Bald Hill Road and Lane Road and looks to have access on both. The recorded lot size is 3.12 acres. Stone walls and trees with barbed wire attached were seen. These may or may not represent boundary markers. This lot is primarily flat and heavily wooded with many mature trees. There is a small wet area that flows southerly into a stream located at the bottom of a small ravine. The property is surrounded by development and ATV tracks were present.

The group traveled to review lots located on Old Bye Road per the town tax records. Lot 014-002-023 is located at the corner of Oak Drive and Old Bye Road which is a paper road at this site. The recorded lot size is 5.55 acres. The property slopes upward from Oak Drive and there is a trail at what may be the boundary that runs parallel to a briskly flowing stream. Lots of ledge is present on the trail. A stone wall is also present and at the northern end stones have been removed likely for better access to the property. There is lots of traffic sound from route 101 at the northern end of the property. At the northern edge there is a very, very steep slope that travels up to Watson Hill Road. The area is heavily wooded and has mature trees. According to Chairperson Kent there is a forestry report for this and an adjacent town property and this will be reviewed at the next meeting. The lot may support a timber cut. Evidence of ATV activity was noted on the property. Wild animal scat was present but was not identified. The skull of a juvenile deer was found. A fire pit, trash, chair, tarp and broken glass were also present on the property.

Lot 014-002-008 is located perpendicular to the prior lot and on the opposite side of the paper road. The property is recorded as being 3.8 acres in size. The northern and western boundary are bordered by lots on Watson Hill Road and parcel 014-002-007 is located on the southern boundary. The property lines were hard to discern. This is a wooded lot and it is likely that the aforementioned briskly flowing stream runs through it. The only access to this property would be from the paper road. As this is not a developed road the property is essentially landlocked. A forestry report for this property will be reviewed at the next Conservation Commission meeting.

The group traveled to Watson Hill Road to review tax parcel 020-000-078-001. The parcel is recorded as 0.31 acres. There is a central fire pond with a wooded area behind it. A dry hydrant is present and a stream goes through a culvert at one edge.

Due to time constraints the group decided to reschedule site walks for the four additional properties listed on the agenda. Kathy MacDonald made a motion to adjourn. Kris Holleran seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.