

**TOWN OF KENNEBUNK
CONSERVATION AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING 8/1/22
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

On August 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., the meeting was called to order.

PRESENT: Grace Cain, Mark Kerr, Jennifer Shack

GUEST: Lena Perron, Kennebunk resident

PESTICIDE OUTREACH

Lena Perron attended the meeting to urge us to work on a town ordinance to ban pesticides. She pointed to Ogunquit as a model. After she departed, the members discussed our plans for outreach to educate the public about the hazards of pesticides. Shack had emailed the chair of Kennebunkport's Conservation Commission about the possibility of a joint effort, but has not received a response.

We also discussed the spraying of trees along Parson's Beach Road. As this is town property, Shack will contact Bryan Laverriere at Public Services to determine whether the town's pesticide policy is being followed.

APPROVE MINUTES

The members approved the minutes for July 18.

SITE PLANS/ DEVELOPMENTS

The Commission reviewed the following applications:

- Gooch Ave – We appreciate the applicants' decision to create a new wetland to offset the impact of filling wetland for this project. We recommend that the applicants create a maintenance plan with their landscape architect to be sure that the created wetland maintains its function. We also recommend that pesticides not be used on the property. As the wetlands that will be filled are currently made up of phragmites, we ask that the fill be disposed of in such a manner that the disposal does not encourage further distribution of this invasive plant.
- 30/40 Cat Mousam Road – Since the application will make the lot less non-conforming than it is currently, we have no comments at this time.

OTHER COMMITTEES/PROJECTS

Kerr and Cain will be attending the Climate Action Plan Task Force webinar on communicating about climate change.

OTHER BUSINESS

There is no other business

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.