

Conservation Commission Minutes  
May 3, 2017  
Jackson Falls Work Session  
DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED

CC members Present: Tom Seidel, Mark Ross-Parent, Margaret Graciano, Pam Smillie, Mike Dufilho, Bill Terry

Others present: Susan Ross-Parent, Bob Thompson, Pat Kelly, Gary Speirs

Members of the Commission walked the proposed location of the split-rail fence with the Road Agent, Selectboard Representative and the contractor to discuss and confirm details of fence location. Upon the contractor's recommendation the board voted to use three-rail fence along the main parking area to gain extra height. The road agent will remove and replace the section by the iron bridge seasonally to facilitate snow plowing. All other fence locations deemed OK for allowing snow removal with minimal risk to fence. The chair conveyed the commissions thoughts on proposed porta-potty location (near handicap spot or north end). Road agent preferred north end for tree screening, ability to place wooden screen structure and access by truck for contractor.

Commission members and volunteer planted 100 seedlings in our ongoing effort to introduce understory vegetative growth which will function to stabilize erosion-prone soils and funnel visitors onto designated paths. Commission observed the step back with regrowth due to power line right-of-way cutting on step slope adjacent to iron bridge.