

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

May 15, 2017

MINUTES

Members Present: Steve Wingate, Chairman, Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman, Lloyd Wood, Selectman's Representative, Nancy Byrd, Larry Gil, Nancy Piper, Mark Howard, Members, Ray Everest, Alternate.

Member Absent: Kate Nesbit, Member.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Administrative Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Chairman Wingate appointed Ray Everest, Alternate, to sit in for Kate Nesbit, Member.

I. Consideration of Minutes

April 17, 2017

Corrections: Page 2, H.; strike "awarded" & replace with "will be awarding"

It was moved by Nancy Piper and seconded by Nancy Byrd to approve the April 17, 2017 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission minutes as amended. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Trail Finder Program

Mark Howard stated the program is a Statewide project and Towns can submit trails in GPS format; noting there has not been any training offered yet. He stated he would upload trails this summer.

B. Well Water Testing Initiative

Nancy Piper stated Joy Perkins would be transporting the kits. She stated she spoke with Lou Barinelli and noted the prices for the testing has remained the same and she would update the signs for the table. She noted the tax bills would be mailed out at the end of May.

Lloyd Wood requested the event be posted locally.

C. Master Plan Natural Resources Chapter

Staff submitted a draft of the chapter for review and comment.

D. Land Conservation Public Education Efforts

○ **Conservation Commission Website**

Mark Howard stated the website is under construction.

○ **Old Home Days**

The Commission discussed the following ideas to promote conservation at Old Home Days (August 25-27, 2017);

- Display of maps
- Enlargements from the website
- Nature Scavenger Hunt/hike; to be tied with another event to encourage more participants
- Great Meadow – bullet points & map
- PowerPoint presentation (continual run of such)
- Interactive maps/conservation on laptops – bird/animal identification (speak with Chris Tibbetts, TCS)
- Astronomy lesson

Nancy Piper stated the Old Home Days Committee is scheduled to meet on 5/16/17; noting she would discuss the ideas with the Committee.

E. Landowner Permission Letters (Receipt of)

Steve Wingate stated no additional landowner permission letters have been received; noting such are needed prior to Rick van De Poll's surveying of the properties in early June.

F. Mirror Lake Watershed Association

Staff informed the Commission the chairman of the Committee has requested a meeting be scheduled.

G. Mirror Lake Protective Association Report

Larry Gil stated the Association received the grant for the Lake Host Program. He stated he has been taking measurements at Lang Pond Road and noted that the grate in front of the culvert has been taken down however, Jim Bean has repaired it.

Lloyd Wood stated LA Drew has received their final payment; noting additional signage will be placed. He requested the Association notify the BOS of the date of its annual meeting.

Nancy Byrd stated the lake water testing has not begun however, the Weed Watcher program has started.

III. NH DES Applications

James Dugan
138 Cow Island
TM #37-1-10

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to install a new dock pad on the north side of the lot, move existing dock to new pad, install a new pad at the site of the old dock, install two new finger lift-out docks with a canopy on the new and existing pad. Reviewed by Steve Wingate; deferred to NHDES.

Keith Moore
418 Governor Wentworth Highway
TM #14-3-40

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to install one temporary seasonal dock to be used from May 1st to November 1st; dock to be 4'x40' aluminum frame with stabilizer supports. Reviewed by Nancy Piper; no objection. Received NHDES Notice of Acceptance.

Arthur Wuehrmann
27 West Chase Road
TM #39-1-2

New Permit By Notification application to replace a full size 6'4"x23'6" dock. Reviewed by Mike Phelps; no objection.

Daniel Lawrence
68 Cow Island
TM #38-1-273

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to relocate eleven rocks to allow for safe passage to dock. Reviewed by Nancy Piper; no objection.

Dennis Flint/#2017-00695
7 Flint Way
TM #2-1-77

Approved Minimum Impact Expedited application to perform maintenance dredging to remove sand which has deposited over the years.

IV. Correspondence

- Lakes Congress scheduled for June 18&2; Nancy Byrd & Steve Wingate to attend
- UNH Cooperative Extension; Hands-On Web Soil Survey Workshop scheduled for 5/18/17

V. New Business

- Mark Howard stated he attended the following workshops at Saving Special Places; How to Monitor a Conservation Easement & Trail Maintenance for Volunteers
- The Commission discussed the Wolfeboro Water Summit
- Landscaping at the Water's Edge Workshop; 6/13/17
- NH Tree Farm Workshops; 5/19/17 tour of Madison Lumber Mill and 6/30/17 Experience Unique Habitats
- Great Meadow Map
Nancy Piper stated she requested Mark Howard's assistance with preparing a map of the Great Meadow and abutting properties so that when the Commission members speak with the abutting property owners a visual map could be presented for the discussion.

Mark Howard requested the Commission mark-up a map of the Great Meadow with the locations of trails or logging roads. He stated the only access to the Great Meadow that he is aware of is the intended access from the Town's Highway Garage. He stated the Tuftonboro Association is discussing the placement of kiosks at the Great Meadow; noting he researched such. He stated 2-3 kiosks would be purchased and installed by a work party in either July, August, September.

VI. Old Business

Town Online Mapping

Mark Howard stated training workshops for such will be scheduled on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM at the Central Fire Station; noting laptops that have Wi-Fi capability would be required. He stated he would send out an email with the date(s) of such.

Town of Wolfeboro RIB

Larry Gil stated he will be scheduling a meeting with Mitch Locker, NHDES, to discuss the Town of Wolfeboro RIB site.

Lloyd Wood asked if representative(s) from the Town of Wolfeboro would be attending the meeting.

Larry Gil replied no.

Invasive Species Demo

Steve Wingate stated such would be scheduled for the second week of June (dependent on weather), date to be determined, and requested volunteers for such. He stated the demo would take place at Kate Nesbit's property.

VII. Non-Public Session

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Nancy Piper to enter non-public session at 7:57 PM to consider the acquisition of real property (RSA 91-A:3,II(d)). Roll call vote; Steve Wingate-yes, Lloyd Wood-yes, Mark Howard-yes, Mike Phelps-yes, Larry Gil-yes, Ray Everest-yes, Nancy Byrd-yes, Nancy Piper-yes. The motion passed.

The Board re-entered public session at 8:20 PM.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Nancy Piper to seal the May 15, 2017 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission Non-public Meeting minutes. Roll call vote; Steve Wingate-yes, Lloyd Wood-yes, Mark Howard-yes, Mike Phelps-yes, Larry Gil-yes, Ray Everest-yes, Nancy Byrd-yes, Nancy Piper-yes. The motion passed.

Chairman Wingate stated the nonpublic session minutes of May 15, 2017 were sealed by a 2/3 vote as required by law.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Nancy Piper to adjourn the May 15, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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