# TOWN OF TUFTONBORO CONSERVATION COMMISSION March 19, 2018 MINUTES

**Members Present:** Steve Wingate, Chairman, Lloyd Wood, Selectman's Representative, Larry Gil, Mark Howard, Members, Ian Whitmore, Alternate.

Member Absent: Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman, Nancy Piper, Kate Nesbit, members, Ray Everest, Alternate.

**<u>Staff Present:</u>** Lee Ann Hendrickson, Administrative Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 6:37 PM. Chairman Wingate appointed Ian Whitmore, Alternate, to sit in for Mike Phelps, Member.

Dale McConkey, McConkey & Associates Land Planning and Development, LLC, arrived at the meeting and presented a NHDES Dredge and Fill Minimum Impact Expedited application for YMCA of Greater Boston located on Sandy Island. He stated the proposal includes the replacement of a rear retaining wall with redi-rock block, reconstruct front retaining wall with stone and mortar.

Steve Wingate stated he would review the application further.

\*Mark Howard arrived to the meeting at 6:49 PM.

I. Consideration of Minutes

February 19, 2018

**Corrections:** Page 2, 1st paragraph, 3<sup>rd</sup> line; change "purification" to "reclamation" Page 3, V., Easement Monitoring, 3rd paragraph; change "Wood" to "(Wingate)" Page 3, VI. Hersey Property, 2nd paragraph; change "stated" to "asked if"

It was moved by Larry Gil and seconded by Mark Howard to approve the February 19, 2018 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission minutes as amended. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

## II. Discussion Items

## A. NHDES Wetland Rules Review

Steve Wingate stated he attended the workshop hosted by NHDES outlining the changes to the wetlands regulations. He stated NHDES was requested to provide a comparison of the existing regulations and proposed changes to the regulations.

### B. Mirror Lake Protective Association Report

Larry Gil stated the MLPA Board has scheduled a phone conference for 3/28/18 to discuss the potential acquisition of the Hersey property.

### III. NH DES Applications

Joseph Torregrossa/#2018-00511 19 Oak Hill Road TM #52-1-12 New Standard Dredge & Fill application to install a set of natural stone steps and landing to seasonal docking structure. Reviewed by Larry Gil; noted issues with application in that an intermittent streams exists on the property and the walkway goes through the stream to access the seasonal dock (photographs taken and submitted to NHDES). He deferred application to NHDES. Applicant received Notice of Acceptance.

Edgerly Estates/#2017-03543 Chase Point Road TM #27-1-8 Applicant provided a response to NHDES' Request For More Information.

Sarah Trust/#2018-00047 1 Little Bear Island TM #11-1-1 NHDES approved application.

Doug & Karen Beane/#2017-02140 178 Cow Island TM #37-1-24 NHDES approved application.

#### Alfred & Karen Solan/#2018-00469 61 Cow Island TM #38-1-281

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to construct a 900 SF perched beach with 6' wide granite steps to enter the water, install a seasonal boatlift, 2 seasonal PWC lifts, 2 fender pilings and repair an existing permanent dock in-kind. Reviewed by Mark Howard; no objection. Applicant received NHDES Notice of Acceptance.

# IV. <u>Correspondence</u>

- NHDES public information meeting on QPPQ Transform Method for determining historical daily stream flows for ungaged locations scheduled for 3/29/18
- NH Division of Historical Resources; received letter, dated 3/12/18, informing the Commission that Lucknow (also known as Castle in the Clouds) will soon be considered by the NH State Historical Resources Council for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places and if the Commission wishes to comment on such to forward comments to the NH Division of Historic Resources.

# V. Old Business

# Great Meadow

Steve Wingate stated the newspaper would like to write a feature article on the Great Meadow. He noted an abutter expressed concern regarding the proposed trail through the property.

# Parkhurst Bentley Property Monitoring

Steve Wingate stated he and Mark Howard conducted the annual monitoring of the property and noted he will be meeting with Dr. Shane regarding boundary marking.

## **Membership Vacancies**

Steve Wingate noted there will be two upcoming vacancies on the Commission.

# Former Town Landfill (Update)

Larry Gil questioned whether the former landfill is part of the Great Meadow watershed.

Steve Wingate replied yes.

Larry Gil asked if there is a possibly the landfill would qualify for land reclamation through the Drinking Ground Water Trust Fund.

Steve Wingate replied yes, as a restoration activity if the Town had knowledge of what is at the landfill and what would need to be done. He noted that outside of the Master Plan the area has not been recognized as a ground water source.

Larry Gil stated Stantec will be conducting samples in April as part of the Town's sampling protocol; noting he will be informed of when such will occur. He stated Dave Alwine agreed to sample the seep; noting fluorinated compounds would be reviewed.

### Anonymous Complaint Letter on Varney Property

Steve Wingate informed the Commission a follow-up letter was sent to NHDES regarding such.

### Watershed Management Plan (Update)

Steve Wingate stated he and Pat Tarpey interviewed two firms that submitted a Request For Proposal; noting the chosen firm would be announced soon. He stated he has previously stated the BOS would be appointing the members of the committee however, the LWA will be appointing the committee members.

### VI. <u>New Business</u>

### **Hersey Property**

Steve Wingate stated the Hersey family is selling 111 acres; noting 1/3 of the acreage is located in the Mirror Lake watershed. He stated the property is assessed at \$338,000.

Nancy Byrd stated the property has a Department of Agriculture easement on the property.

### Jim Duncan Dragonfly Presentation

Lloyd Wood stated he provided a copy of such to the Tuftonboro Free Library.

Mark Howard stated a dragonfly expert from the NH Audubon Society would be making a presentation at the Tuftonboro Association's annual meeting in September.

### **GIS Map Training**

Lloyd Wood asked if there would be training for the online GIS mapping.

Mark Howard stated such is to be determined however, the training would be scheduled at the Central Fire Station.

Lloyd Wood stated Caleb Pike found a person from Google that would update the 1948 tax maps.

### Nancy Byrd Resignation/BOS Letter of Thanks

Lloyd Wood stated he hand delivered a letter of thanks to Ms. Byrd thanking her for her years of service to the Town.

#### VII. <u>Non-Public Session</u> N/A

### It was moved by Larry Gil and seconded by Mark Howard to adjourn the March 19, 2018 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, *Lee Ann Hendrickson* Lee Ann Hendrickson