

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**April 17, 2017
MINUTES**

Members Present: Steve Wingate, Chairman, Lloyd Wood, Selectman's Representative, Nancy Byrd, Kate Nesbit, Larry Gil, Nancy Piper, Members.

Members Absent: Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman, Mark Howard, Member, Ray Everest, Alternate.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Administrative Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

**I. Consideration of Minutes
March 20, 2017**

It was moved by Lloyd Wood and seconded by Nancy Byrd to approve the March 20, 2017 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

March 20, 2017 Nonpublic Minutes

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Kate Nesbit to approve the March 20, 2017 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission nonpublic minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

The Board agreed the March 20, 2017 Nonpublic minutes would remain sealed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Rules of Procedure

The Commission reviewed its Rules of Procedure, revised per the 2/20/17 Conservation Commission minutes, and agreed to the following (further) revisions;

- Include list of revision dates
- Article VI.B.D. Attendance; insert "4 (four)" prior to "consecutive"
- Article VIII.c., 1st sentence; insert a comma following "Annually" and strike "the Conservation" & replace with "each Conservation"

It was moved by Larry Gil and seconded by Kate Nesbit to adopt the Conservation Commission Rules of Procedure as amended. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

B. Trail Finder Program

The Commission table such.

C. Well Water Testing Initiative

The Commission discussed whether to hold the Well Water Testing Initiative this year and agreed to do such. Due to the decrease in the amount of kits being distributed, the Commission agreed to continue the program however, on a two year schedule (following 2017) and publicize such. The Commission also agreed to insert the flyers into the tax bills. The Commission agreed to schedule the dates as follows;

Distribution of kits: Monday – Saturday, July 17-22

Collection of kits: Sunday, July 23

Transportation of kits to Concord: Monday, July 24

Nancy Piper stated she spoke with Lou Barinelli who informed her that the State could support the program if 75 or less kits were received.

Steve Wingate volunteered to submit an article in the Tuftonboro Times.

D. Master Plan Natural Resources Chapter

Staff reviewed the progress to date with compiling the chapter.

E. Landowner Permission Letter (Great Meadow)

The Commission has received signed permission letter from Alison Lovett.

F. Land Protection Policy and Acquisition Criteria

The Commission reviewed its Land Protection Policies and Acquisition Criteria, revised per the 2/20/17 Conservation Commission minutes.

It was moved by Nancy Piper and seconded by Nancy Byrd to adopt the Land Protection Policies and Acquisition Criteria as presented. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

G. Land Conservation Public Education Efforts

- Moonlight Nature Walk scheduled for 6/9 at Spider Web Gardens

H. Mirror Lake Watershed Association

Lloyd Wood stated the BOS will be awarding the contract for repairs to the boat ramp.

Staff informed the Commission the Committee would be reconvening in May.

I. Mirror Lake Protective Association Report

No report.

III. NH DES Applications

John H. Meek Living Trust

11 Haverhill Acres Road

TM #40-3-4

New Permit By Notification application to replace existing dock and platform at the shoreline; full crib replaced in-kind. Reviewed by Nancy Byrd; no objection.

Town of Tuftonboro

Lake Road

TM #14-1-26

New Permit By Notification to replace an existing concrete public boat ramp with new concrete; same size, location and construction type. Reviewed by Mark Howard; no objection.

Joe Pellegrino/Double J. Lodge, LLC

268 Governor Wentworth Highway

TM #27-1-7

New Standard Dredge and Fill application to install a 28' steel header attached to the existing shoreline stone to support two 6'x40' aluminum seasonal crank up docks with a 6'x16' crosswalk in a U-shaped configuration with wooden stairs as an egress to the upper bank. Reviewed by Mark Howard; no objection.

Donald & Lisa Hirbour
468 Governor Wentworth Highway
TM #14-1-28 & 29

Approved Standard Dredge & Fill application to perform maintenance dredging for existing slips (19.5 cubic yards of material to be removed) and rework existing wall within the owner's property to accommodate a greater boatslip depth.

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.

Mueller Family Trust
2 Loon Point
TM #2-1-73

Approved Standard Dredge & Fill application for an after-the-fact minor impact wetland permit; noting that two rocks were moved from the sea plane launch area where they caused a potential hazard for utilization of the ramp. However, the rocks began to shift upwards, resulting in the rocks protruding from the water. The rocks were picked up and moved so that they would not pose a safety threat.

IV. Correspondence

- Lakes Region Conservation Trust sent notification re: temporary conversion of power services to permanent power services on Ragged Island; a copy of such was sent to Adam Thompson

V. New Business

- Town of Wolfeboro RIB
Larry Gil stated he spoke with Dave Ford, Town of Wolfeboro, Director of Public Works, who informed him that the Town of Wolfeboro is actively looking at the situation. He stated he sent an email to NHDES contacting analytical chemists and noted he'd like to find out more about the Wright-Pierce settlement.
- Conservation Easements
Kate Nesbit is compiling a list of conservation easements held by the Town, LRCT and Society for the Protection of NH Forests.
- Joan Gale Conservation Easement; Ms. Gale does not want public access included in the easement language
- Invasive Species; Steve Wingate stated Kate Nesbit's property would be used as an example of what not to do with regard to invasive species; noting a date would be scheduled to treat ½ acre of invasive species
- Birds of the White Mountains Workshop; 4/20/17, 7-9 PM, Loon Center, Moultonborough
- Forestry Seminar; 6/10/17, Agricultural Commission
- Roadside Cleanup; 4/22/17

VI. Old Business

None.

It was moved by Kate Nesbit and seconded by Larry Gil to adjourn the April 17, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Ann Keathley

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