

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

June 19, 2017

MINUTES

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

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Administrative Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 6:34 PM.

Chairman Wingate excused Ray Everest due to illness.

I. Consideration of Minutes

May 15, 2017

Corrections:

It was moved by Nancy Piper and seconded by Nancy Byrd to approve the May 15, 2017 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Well Water Testing Initiative

Nancy Piper stated Joy Perkins delivered 78 test kits however, the radon kits were not included. She stated Joy Perkins subsequently delivered the radon kits; noting she gave Ms. Perkins a thank you card and flowers.

The Commission discussed the paperwork provided by the State in the test kits and agreed that additional paperwork from the Commission would not be included. The Commission discussed the test kit collection day, July 23, 2017, and agreed to the following;

- Mike Phelps to contact Tuftonboro Central School and arrange use of the refrigerator to house the test kits until delivery to NHDES on 7/24/17
- Steve Wingate to deliver samples to TCS on 7/23/17
- Steve Wingate & Nancy Piper collect samples on 7/23/17 from 8AM-12PM
- Kate Nesbit & Nancy Byrd to collect samples on 7/23/17 from 12PM-4PM

B. Master Plan Natural Resources Chapter

A meeting was scheduled for July 10, 2017 at 1PM at the Town Offices to review such; those to attend being Steve Wingate, Nancy Byrd and Larry Gil.

C. Land Conservation Public Education Efforts

○ **Conservation Commission Website**

The Commission tabled such.

○ **Old Home Days**

Nancy Piper stated she and Steve Wingate attended the Old Home Days meeting on 5/16/17 and discussed the ideas noted at the Commission's 5/15/17 meeting with regard to promoting conservation. She stated the committee felt the interactive maps on laptops would be too involved however, supported map displays. She stated the Committee is meeting on 6/20/17.

Steve Wingate stated he is going to request Mark Howard to set up at the Central Fire Station to present the Town map digitization. He stated he is holding a scavenger hunt with Kim Reed.

D. Master Plan Natural Resources Chapter

A meeting was scheduled to review revisions to such for July 10, 2017, 1 PM at the Town Offices; Steve Wingate, Larry Gil and Nancy Byrd to attend.

E. Landowner Permission Letters (Receipt of)

Steve Wingate stated he forwarded such to Rick Van de Poll.

F. Mirror Lake Watershed Committee

Mirror Lake Watershed Committee has scheduled a meeting for 7/5/17 at 5:30 PM at the Town Offices.

Lloyd Wood stated the Road Agent is interested in paving an 800' section of Lang Pond Road and clean out the rain gardens.

Larry Gil stated there is a piece of decking in the outlet channel that needs to be removed.

Lloyd Wood recommended MLPA and the Road Agent coordinate to address the removal of debris.

G. Mirror Lake Protective Association Report

Mirror Lake Protective Association Annual Board meeting scheduled for 7/22/17 at 9 AM.

Larry Gil stated the MLPA Board of Directors met on 6/3/17 and several members of the Board of Directors will be attending the Tuftonboro Central School assembly on 6/20/17 to express their thanks to the children.

III. NH DES Applications

Steve Likakos

Redgate Lane

TM #40-5-2

New Permit By Notification application to replace piling damaged by ice. Reviewed by Nancy Piper; no objection.

American Youth Foundation

147 Canaan Road

TM #34-1-1, 35-1-2

New Minimum Impact Expedited application to install a temporary seasonal aluminum dock structure, to be installed on an existing beach area. Reviewed by Steve Wingate; no objection.

Robert and Mary Murley

169 Beach Road

TM #2-1-4

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to repair an existing 8.5'x33' crib dock, a 6'x34' piling dock and a 9'x16' connecting walkway and maintain existing seasonal canopy. In addition, the applicant proposes to install two 6'x34' piling dock fingers to the northeast of the existing piling dock, each connected via 6'x12' connecting walkways and install two 14'x30' seasonal canopies, two seasonal PWC lifts and a single seasonal boatlift. Reviewed by Larry Gil; no objection.

Daniel Lawrence

68 Cow Island

TM #38-1-273

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to relocate 11 rocks from approach to allow for safe passage to dock. Reviewed by Larry Gil; no objection.

IV. Correspondence

- NHACC's annual meeting guest speaker is Sylvia Bates

- SB 30; passed the House (defines woodland buffers)
- HB 170; passed the House (posting of minutes and public meetings)

V. New Business

- Great Meadow Map

Mark Howard presented the maps of the Great Meadow (to be used when meeting with owners to discuss land conservation).

The Committee requested the following information be added to the maps; label Transfer Station, label Highway Garage, label routes/roads, tax map numbers on parcels, label Melvin River, shade conserved land/easements in green and note the two properties owned by Fabian as conserved land.

VI. Old Business

Town of Wolfeboro RIB

Larry Gil stated he, other Commission and the BOS members met with Mitch Locker, NHDES, at the Town Offices. He stated NHDES is receptive of the study and Dave Ford will be working on the scope of work. He stated he developed a draft scope of work regarding pharmaceuticals and forwarded it to Dave Ford and Mr. Locker.

Steve Wingate stated he received a call from Don McWhirter who volunteered to take water samples of Nineteen Mile Brook. Following the phone call, he stated he contacted UNH Cooperative Extension and requested SOP's for sampling in streams. He stated the testing locations need to be determined and noted the samples would be forwarded to UNH for testing. He noted the Commission would be required to pay for the sampling tests. He stated the Town of Wolfeboro is not currently testing downstream on Nineteen Mile Brook.

Nancy Piper expressed concern regarding the methodology used by Mr. McWhirter.

Larry Gil expressed concern that the Commission would pay for a nonmember of the Commission to retrieve the samples.

Staff reviewed the current status of the 2017 budget.

It was moved by Lloyd Wood and seconded by Mark Howard to implement and expend funds for two sampling sites of Nineteen Mile Brook. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Joan Gale

Kate Nesbit stated Ms. Gale will be drafting a conservation easement for review by the Commission and noted that Ms. Gale has decided not to include the driveway as part of the easement.

VII. New Business

Watershed Grant

Steve Wingate stated the grant was approved by NHDES however, it has been forwarded to Washington, DC for approval and then it will be forwarded to the Governor's Council.

BOS Report

Lloyd Wood stated the BOS awarded the bid for the Lake Road boat ramp; noting such would be done fall 2017. He stated the Island Association meeting for Ragged Island is scheduled for 7/8/17 and requested those interested in attending the event to contact Karen Koch.

NHDOT

Larry Gil stated NHDOT is putting in drains and culverts at the Mirror Lake Boat Launch and questioned whether the Town was notified of such. He noted the work is being done in preparation of paving Route 109.

Steve Wingate stated NHDOT is installing a sump underneath the Road.

Mark Howard stated the Town is notified however, the notification does not always include a detailed scope of work or dates the work is to be done.

Normandeau Associates

Mike Phelps stated he received an email stating Mark Hutchins has retired from Normandeau Associates; noting Mr. Hutchins was the point person for the Nineteen Mile Brook study.

Land Bank of Wolfeboro Tuftonboro

Steve Wingate stated he attended the Land Bank of Wolfeboro Tuftonboro meeting; noting they are in need of guidance with regard to their website. He stated he would speak to Mark Howard about such.

Mark Howard stated he would speak with them however, recommended contacting a professional.

Steve Wingate stated the Land Bank is interested in placing a conservation easement on a 90-acre parcel on Pleasant Mountain (Albee property) and noted that because the property is within the Town of Wolfeboro's watershed, the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission is allowed to contribute funds. He stated the Land Bank will be speaking with the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission. He asked if the Commission is interested in supporting the project.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Kate Nesbit to support and participate in the Land Bank of Wolfeboro Tuftonboro project to purchase a conservation easement on a 90-acre parcel located on Pleasant Mountain.

Discussion of the motion:

Nancy Piper questioned the degree of participation; noting the Commission has minimal funds.

Steve Wingate asked if the Commission is willing to be partners with no commitments.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Kate Nesbit to support and participate in the Land Bank of Wolfeboro Tuftonboro project to purchase a conservation easement on a 90-acre parcel located on Pleasant Mountain. Steve Wingate, Mike Phelps, Lloyd Wood, Kate Nesbit, Nancy Byrd, Mark Howard, Larry Gil voted in favor. Nancy Piper opposed. The motion passed.

Town Beach

Steve Wingate stated he is assisting Parks and Recreation independently, and not as Chairman to the Conservation Commission, with the filing of a permit with NHDES. He stated Parks and Recreation wanted to add sand to the Town beach however, such is not permitted except for behind the perched beach (no sand can be added from the perched beach to the lake).

Lloyd Wood stated Parks and Recreation will be contacting Jim Bean to clean up the beach.

It was moved by Mike Phelps and seconded by Kate Nesbit to adjourn the June 19, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Ann Keathley

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