

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

240 Middle Road
Ctr. Tuftonboro, NH 03816
Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2020

Because of Covid-19 the 10/19/20 meeting was held via **GoToMeeting**. The following people attended the meeting and were identified by roll call:

Members present: Chairman Steve Wingate, Vice Chairman Stephen Scapicchio, Members Larry Gil, Mark Howard, Heather Brown, Laurel Podsen, Kate Nesbit

Members not present: Alternate Mike Phelps, Selectmen's Representative Lloyd Wood

Staff Present: Linda Bean

Chairman Steve Wingate called meeting to order at 6:50pm

I) Consideration of minutes

a) **September 21, 2020**

- Steve moved to accept the minutes as written, Kate seconded, roll call vote followed, all were in favor, motion passed.

II) Discussion Items

a) **Great Meadow**

1) **Trail Progress**

- Steve asked Stephen to take charge of the organizing of the work days for the trail. He said he would, but because winter is fast approaching the plan would be to construct the first bridge for this year. Steve is working on the lumber list and will send to Mark and he will pass on to the lumber yard. Stephen will be contacting Jim Bean for assistance in digging the holes for the posts.

2) **Future Activities at the North End**

- Stephen has set the date for the hike off the North GM trail head for Saturday 24th at 1:00pm, rain date is Sunday. The number of people will be limited due to Covid-19 restrictions.

b) Budget Review

1) Current Budget

- Kate reviewed the budget which is still in very good shape. There was a discussion about several projects that might be done to make good use of the funds left in the budget. No decision was made.

2) Discuss 2021 Budget

- Members talked about the budget for 2021. More discussion will follow on final numbers for 2021 at the next meeting.

III) Status of NHDES Applications

- See Attached

IV) Correspondence

- None

V) Old Business

a) Mirror Lake Conservation

- No progress has been made with NRCS on preserving the property at the other end of the lake. Looks like because of administrative issues this may not be resolved until 2021.

b) Cheney Monitoring

- Stephen completed this year's monitoring. Everything is as it should be. New owners are continuing to work on the inside of the house.

c) Future Monitoring

- Discussed future monitoring, properties and dates.

d) Watershed Plan

- There will a meeting with the Selectmen on the Watershed Plan sometime in November. Members should think about attending this meeting when date is set.

VI) New Business

a) Forest Plans

- There will be an invoice going out to Matt Young, from the Selectmen, for a donation to the TCC that can only be used for Forest Plans and disbursed when billed by the forester doing the work. Prior to any work being done by the forester, the commission needs to meet and discuss the details of the plans.

b) NHACC Conference

- The NHACC will be sending everyone that is signed up for the conference the link to attend the upcoming conference.

c) Nineteen Mile Brook Monitoring Plan

- Current plan is that FB Environmental will be contacting TCC around the beginning of November. Probably will be a video conference call and they will provide the commission with the plan for monitoring that they recommend. Then the TCC will have some time to go over it. The plan needs to be finalized by the first week in December so Dave Ford can put it in his 2021 budget.

d) Old Land Fill Monitoring

- Larry had received emails with answers to questions he had submitted to the companies that had submitted bids for the land fill monitoring. The Selectmen's secretary will be sending inquiries to the towns that have had these companies do work for them. Steve outlined the TCC's history with the land fill monitoring. No decision should be made until they receive the information from the other towns.

e) New Secretary

- The Selectmen have hired a replacement secretary for the TCC. Steve, Stephen and Linda will meet with her on Wednesday.

VII) Non-Public Session (if needed)

- **Non-Public Session was entered into at 8:12pm and existed at 8:47pm.**
There being no further business, Larry moved to adjourn the 10/19/20 TCC meeting, Laurel seconded. Roll call followed, all were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Administrative Secretary
Linda Bean

STATUS OF NHDES APPLICATIONS

1. Melvin Village Marina

463 GWH, MAP 14-3-3

State responded to application to modify a major docking structure.

Application was denied.

2. Garrard Family Trust

27 Little Bear Island, MAP 25-1-65

Project is to repair and maintenance of an existing grandfathered boathouse, consisting of two stone filled cribs, decking, support structures as needed, repair posts.