# Town of Tuftonboro <u>Conservation Commission</u>

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## Meeting Minutes October 16th, 2023

**Present:** Chairman Stephen Scapicchio, Vice Chairman Steven Wingate, Selectman Guy Pike

Members: Larry Gil and Kate Nesbit

Guest: Anthony Mirando

**Absent:** Laurel Podson, Michael Phelps, Heather Brown, Lynne Walsh and Mark Howard

Call to Order: Chairman Scapicchio called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M

## I. Consideration of Minutes

- A. September 18th, 2023
  - 1. A motion to accept the minutes as presented with a few spelling corrections was made by Guy Pike and seconded by Larry Gil. Motion passed unanimously.

## **II.** Discussion Item

A. Anthony Mirando explained the importance of prioritizing the list given to the Conservation was to help the Planning board prepare for the Master Plan. Mr. Mirando discussed with the Conservation as to what everyone would like to know where everyone stands with the list as to whether they would like to expand, change or hold off on for the future of building the master plan. Members furthered the discussion and have agreed that adopting a Shoreland Protection, a Steep Slopes,

- Groundwater Protection and Wetland ordinances as they believe these have the most impact on the town.
- B. Chairman Scapicchio presented the 2024 budget to the members of the commission. Vice chairman Wingate questioned the elimination of funds towards the Timber Stand Improvement. It was discussed that last year's budget towards TSI was only invested for a year. A motion to approve of the 2024 Budget was made by Guy Pike and seconded by Kate Nesbit.

## III. Status of Dredge & Fill

- A. 3 Applications came in, 2 right next to each other both provided the state with legal documentation, all was approved. The final one was museum lodges for added sand to the beach.
- B. Application for 44 Windleblo and DES approved of the permit
- C. Request for more information at 496 Gov. Wentworth Hwy, questioning the coil roll bank stabilization and to revise plans
- D. 2 from Hidden Valley Drive, one being a notification of a complaint with the other one letter stating that the lot had met the requirements
- E. Complaint from Bay road stating that a permit was missing

## IV. Correspondence

- A. Referencing discussion from last months minutes under New Business for 19 Mile Brook 2024 Permit:
  - 1. Selectmen Guy Pike notified the members that DES had responded to the letter that Board of Selectmen had put together to request being kept informed with the progress of the renewal application for the Rapid Infiltration Basin (RIB) on 19 Mile Brook with Wolfeboro. DES is in the process of renewing the permit and will include Tuftonboro with information in regards to the application. They also requested any results we have from the testing we have done.

#### V. Old Business

A. Member Larry Gil states that he will be checking in for the last round of data collection in November. Nothing else to report

- B. Vice Chairman Wingate states everything is still in the works. Plans to buy more materials in order to complete the bridge and boardwalks. Scapicchio states that an easement of approval was given by Moose Mountain allowing the Commission to make trails through the Lyons property.
- C. Nothing to report
- D. Steve Wingate reports that he has inspected the Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) work of Matt Coughlan and states they are making very good progress and are about 80% through the process.

## VI. New Business

A. It was discussed that there were multiple occasions of 4 wheelers crossing across The Great Meadow North property. As part of the TSI process Matt would fell trees across the ATV routes to deter access where possible. Members agree that it would be viable to put up fences in order to avoid 4 wheelers coming onto property again.

## VII. Non Public Session

A. None

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Guy Pike and seconded by Kate Nesbit. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Katelyn Hazeltine, Tuftonboro Conservation Commission Secretary 10/17/23

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