Milton Conservation Commission PO Box 310 Milton, NH 03851 June 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance: Paul Blanc, Cynthia Wyatt, Karen Golab, Wayne Sylvester Alt. Steve Panish

(6:42), Also in attendance Dana Crossley, Land Use Clerk

Excused Members: Eric Knapp

Public in Attendance: John McAllister, Belinda Hemeon

Chairman Wyatt called the meeting to order at 6:31pm

Chairman Wyatt brought W. Slyvester to the board as a full voting member in place of E. Knapp.

Approve 5/8/17 minutes: Minutes were tabled as there were not a quorum to vote on the minutes.

<u>Public Input:</u> John McAllister came for the Forest Meeting. K. Golab informed him they are the 4th Thursday of the month at 5:30pm, downstairs, starting in July, she explained to John that they are actively working on putting the conservation easement, but he is welcome to use the trails now. Chairman Wyatt encouraged John to reach out to Charlie Ek who is a volunteer who is helping the sub-committee, suggested assisting with naming the trails.

Belinda Hemeon 18 Rookery Rd, came to the board to address the letter that was sent three years ago to her about her land and encroachments on the Conservation Easement, she had received a letter that said she was encroaching but it is here leach field that is in the easement. Chairman Wyatt and S. Panish both agreed that leach fields are allowed within the easement. The board expressed to Belinda that they are willing to work with her and will look over the monitoring reports and P. Blanc will go out to look at the property. Took down Belinda Hemeon's information to contact her after the meeting.

<u>Barry Carr's Resignation. Discuss finding his replacement:</u> Barry Carr emailed his letter of resignation to the chairman and secretary on June 6th. Board discussed the board positions. Chairman Wyatt asked for there to be a posting to fill the alternate position.

Casey Road Land Protection Project Committee Update: D. Crossley informed the board that she forwarded a work order and the letter from the Casey Road Committee to the Public Works Director Pat Smith, he replied that there is more information needed, such as who is paying for the cost of the demolitions, construction worker and dumpster to remove the sheds. She spoke with him briefly on what his thoughts on the cost would be and he suspects it will be around \$5,000 to have the structures removed. Board discussed having the Fire Department burn the buildings, D. Crossley will reach out to the fire chief. Board discussed the other options such as volunteers.

The subcommittee is moving ahead getting a packet together for MMRG to see if they will take on the easement. Their next meeting is the 27th of July at 5:30. June 22nd there is the fish inventory.

<u>Discuss draft memo to BOS regarding writing a warrant article in the 2018 town warrant to place a conservation easement on the defunct subdivision abutting 41/69:</u> Board reviewed the letter. K. Golab motions to approve the letter, W. Sylvester seconds the motion. All in favor, motion approved.

Discuss unresolved encroachments:

• AG gave the okay to proceed with lot line adjustment for Lyman Brook house encroachment. Discuss next steps: Discussed going to meet with the Houser's to show them on the land the changes that the agreement does. Board discussed getting Attorney Sessler's opinion. P. Blanc

will contact the Houser's to meet at their home and review the lot line changes to fix the encroachment.

- Ball encroachment—share letter: D. Crossley will draft a letter to bring to the next meeting.
- Amendment to Tournas deed to include notice of encroachment: D. Crossley brought a copy of the letter for board's final approval before mailing. Board approved the letter and it will be mailed at the next business day.

<u>Potential conservation projects—Need action plan for the following:</u>

- Update on Casey Rd conservation area project—41/68, 11.5 acres: Chairman Wyatt spoke with Assessing Director Kathy Wallingford, the open space land that was donated into conservation land was supposed to have an association but one was not formed and taxes were not paid, she expressed that everything in the Town takes time and it is not at the top of the priority list.
- 41/64 (42 Acres) letter sent to Emad Lababidi on June 9th: Chairman Wyatt send a letter to Emad to see if he was interested in donating any land. No response as of yet.
- Discuss: Town owned properties voted by warrant article to be placed under conservation easement: Old Ski Area and Payne/Jones Brook Park. The MCC should also look for a conservation easement holder for town owned Spaulding property: tabled.
- Teneriffe Mt. Rd Property:

<u>Treasurer's Report and Transfer of Money into Legal Fund:</u> (no money was needed to be transferred into the legal fund at this time) S. Panish tabled the report and D. Crossley will be sending him two expenditure reports.

Other Business: P. Blanc brought to the board a Wetlands Minimum Impact permit on Nutes Road. Chairman Wyatt signed the permit.

W. Sylvester motions to approve renewal of the membership to Mouse Mountain Regional Greenway. K. Golab seconded the motion. All in favor, motion approved.

Board received reviewed the Greenway Gazette from Moose Mountain Regional Greenways. No Action Required.

Board received and reviewed approval letter to Francis Watson of 160 Governors Rd from DES. No action required.

Board discussed the next steps in the Lyman Brook encroachment issue after the court decision, Attorney Sessler has reached out to their Attorney to meet with them to discuss the ramifications. DES may need to become involved.

K. Golab motions to adjourn, S. Panish seconds the motion. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Crossley Land Use Clerk