Milton Conservation Commission PO Box 310 Milton, NH 03851 August 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance: Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish, Karen Golab, Eric Knapp, Steve Baker, Barry Carr

Also in attendance Dana Smith, Land Use Clerk

Absent Members: Paul Blanc

Public in Attendance: Kyle Pimentel

Chairman Wyatt called the meeting to order at 6:45pm. B. Carr was brought to the board to sit for P. Blanc.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: July 12th minutes Chairman Wyatt noted a few changes change 'imitative' to 'initiative' and to remove dreams. S. Panish moves to approve the minutes with corrections, K. Golab seconds the motion. All in favor (E. Knapp abstained)

Public Input: None

Follow up on a plan to update Milton's Conservation lands to GRANIT. Follow up on converting the Milton CAD file that Norway Plains is updating. Kyle let Dana know that SPRC needs a DWG file with the projected coordinate system set to NH State Plane NAD 1983 US Feet. SRPC should be able to convert it to a shapefile. Chairman Wyatt spoke with K. Pimentel about the files, it was decided K. Pimentel will email Charlie Karcher of Norway Plains to discuss converting the Tax Maps to shape files. D. Smith expressed that if there is a cost it will need to come from the Conservation's funds or budget. Chairman Wyatt replied that she understands that.

Milton Forest Committee Update: There is some interest in meeting with Forester Andy Fast and Wildlife Biologist for a site walk on August 24th at 8:30 to help formulate a management plan with a focus on wildlife health and diversity. Chairman Wyatt sent the recommendations K. Golab presented at the last meeting to Andy Fast, he spoke with Matt Tarr a wildlife biologist and arranged a meeting with him to focus a plan with the Casey Road Town Forest Committee on August 24th. B. Carr commented that he read through the recommendations and mentioned the difficulty that will go along with posting for no hunting and regulating that. Chairman Wyatt commented that they might be changing the date of the walk.

<u>Follow up on the Site Plan Application for a proposed gas station on Map 45 Lot 76:</u> D. Smith updated the board that the applicant has been asked to do a traffic study by DOT and a third party review on the drainage plans and rain garden is being done by White Mountain Survey and Engineering.

Brief progress report on NR Update No comment

<u>Update on European Naiad in NE Pond:</u> S. Baker updated the board, they have started removing and reported taking out 4,600 gallons of the infestation, a few days later they realized it had spread everywhere and brought in New England Milfoil, Naiad is new to them, scuba assisted diving creates a mess and are asking for volunteer's to scoop during the removal. K. Golab asked if it will have to be done annually. S. Baker replied he thinks so and that it would be a long battle. B. Carr asked if someone watches the boats as they come out at the beach and Everett's. S. Baker replied that there is, there is a wash station at the Town Beach and at Everett's.

<u>Follow up on Darrell DeTour's Baseline Report of Winding Road conservation property and monitoring of Milton's properties:</u> Tabled

Follow up designating times to work on both off site and one site files: No Comment

CE encroachments: No comment

Potential Conservation Projects: - No comment

- Casey Road Project: Discuss legal opinion regarding the 11.5 acre designated conservation area owned by the town through tax deed as to whether this can be included in the conservation easement abutting 73 acres. No comment
- Discuss status of town owned (by tax deed) 5 lot subdivision abutting 41/69. No comment
- 41/64 (42 acres) across the river and abutting Evergreen Valley subdivision owned by Mr. Labadidi and current on taxes. No comment
- 41/68, 11 acres has not paid taxes since 2013, will be taken by tax deed in October 2016 if taxes remain unpaid. Last payment made was 2008. Deeded by the Town of Milton (October 2013) No comment
- 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- No comment
- Teneriffe Mt. Rd. property- No comment

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> S. Panish did not prepare a treasure's report this month. S. Panish moves to pay Sessler Law Office \$225.00 for the services on 7/13/16 Lake case from the Conservation legal fund. K. Golab seconds the motion. All in favor. S. Panish moves to pay Sessler Law \$6,532.00 for the Johnson trial preparation 7/5-7/28 from the Conservation Legal Fund. K. Golab seconds the motion. All in favor. B. Carr asked what the funding is to pay for this. S. Panish explained the Conservation accounts.

Closed session, meeting to update legal status of Lyman Brook litigation. Vote to enter closed session under 'e' RSA 91-A:3, II, e. 'E' is the litigation section No Closed Session entered.

Other Business: The board received and reviewed the bi-annual news letter from Moose Mountains Regional Greenways. No action required.

The board received and reviewed a cc'd notice from DES in regards to Land Resources Management File #3296/WPS-5259, Piggott Hill Road, Milton, Tax Map 13 Lot Number 3. No action required.

S. Panish motions to adjourn, K. Golab seconds the motion. All in favor meeting adjorned at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Smith Land Use Clerk

Approved: 9/12/16