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Conservation Commission

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December 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance: Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish (tardy), Bob Weiss, Karen Golab, Virginia Long, Wayne Sylvester

Absent Members: Deb McCormack, Paul Blanc

Public Attendance: Andrew Rawson

Approve October 16, 2019 & November 19, 2019 minutes: K. Golab motions to accept the October 16, 2019 minutes with updates. B. Weiss seconds. Motion passes. B. Weiss motions to accept the November 19 minutes. K. Golab seconds. Motion passes.

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Update of Casey Rd. Project: K. Golab stated she spoke with Ernie and he is going to ask the Board of Selectman if they would be willing to go on a site walk at Map 41 Lot 81. She stated the decision of whether the Town acquire Map 41 Lot 81 in fee and subsequently transfer the lot to the Conservation Commission for permanent conservation purposes is the decision of the Board of Selectmen and does not require a warrant article.

A. Rawson confirm that the pending decision on Map 41 Lot 81 is not holding up the easement process on the Casey Rd. property. The Commission further discussed the Planning Board's recommendation for the parcel. The Commission addressed an unoccupied tent on the property and stated the police have been made aware.

Liberty Circle update: V. Long stated she has not moved forward with sending letters to the landowners seeing it's not an urgent project.

Follow up to make sure all is finalized regarding the legal process of the survey to adjust the conservation boundary line of 20 Rookery Rd.: The Commission confirmed with A. Morrill Land Use Clerk the Houser's boundary line adjustment was signed by all parties. A. Morrill Land Use Clerk stated yes, and it will be sent to the Registry of Deeds for recording this week.

Discuss organizing a joint workshop with TPPA: How lake-side and surrounding properties can do their part to help keep the Ponds healthy: The Commission spoke about creating a sub-committee to help raise awareness of the Ponds fragile state. During the discussion they spoke of potential candidates and different ways to make the sub-committee effective.

Review/approval of draft letter to the Planning Board. Chair C. Wyatt read a draft letter the Commission would address to the Planning Board. Minor edits suggested by V. Long. The purpose of the letter is to encourage the Planning Board to seek advice from the Conservation Commission as the they are a valuable resource regarding natural resource-based land use planning. K. Golab motions to approve the letter with changes. B. Weiss seconds. Motion passes.

Review information sheet from UNHCE regarding Cost of Community Service Studies: Chair C. Wyatt asked A. Morrill Land Use Clerk to locate the Cost of Community Service Study from 2005. Discussion tabled.

Review MCC Bylaws: Tabled

Adjourn: K. Golab motions to adjourn. B. Weiss seconds. Meeting adjourns at 7:47pm.