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8/10/20
Meeting Minutes
5:30PM

Present Members: Cynthia Wyatt, Steve Panish, Wayne Sylvester, Karen Golab, Debra McCormick, Robert Weiss, Virginia Long (Arrives at 6:20PM)

Absent Members: (All Members of the Board were present)

Staff Present: Julius Peel (Land Use and Administrative Assistant)

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I. Call to Order:

Chairperson Cynthia Wyatt called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

II. Approve Minutes: June 16th and July 13th, 2020 minutes

The board tables the June 16th Minutes and will be reviewed at the next meeting. The board reviews the July 13th Minutes and accept them with edits made to terminology.

Karen Golab motions to approve the July 13th Meeting Minutes, Seconded by Wayne Sylvester Seconds. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes approving the minutes for the July 13th Meeting.

III. Old Business:

Follow up with Nichole Hunter regarding Waumbeck Park trail initiative in Milton Mills
Cynthia opens by reading an email sent by Nicole Hunter. In this email it notes that her and some volunteers went to the Waumbeck park to clean. They note that they are working with the recreation department to attempt to create a date that the public can come together and do a more extensive cleaning. This date is not confirmed, but in the process right now. To conclude she thanks them for the donation. This donation was designed to allow for the creation of educational flora and fauna plaques. Cynthia and Steve both note that if the board wants to give these funds to the community group, they will need to create a motion approving the expenditure.

Steve Panish motions to expend two-hundred and fifty dollars for the purchase of educational plaques describing the flora and fauna, seconded by Wayne Sylvester seconds. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion passes approving the expenditure.

Minor changes to Milton Conservation Commission By-Laws regarding change of time and add treasurer

The board agree to table this until next meeting until they know if they have to go to the select board or not.

IV. Public Comment:

No members of the pubic are present.

V. New Business:

Chris Kane monitoring for 2020: Chris reached out to see if the LU secretary could contact landowners to notice them of his monitoring visit to their properties.

Cynthia begins by reading a letter from Chris Kane that she had the Land Use secretary forward to the board. In this letter Chris Kane notes that the remaining vacant lot at Silver Springs is being developed. Also included in this message is a note that Liberty Circle is getting additional houses. Karen Golab says that there are only seven lots along the circle and questions how it could be possible to allow more. Cynthia states that this does not make much sense and that she will reach out to him and confirm that he has the right location.

Cynthia notes that the next part of the letter from Chris brings concern to the boundary lines at the Ball Property. Cynthia states that these property lines are not clear. Chris states that he found monuments that could be used as property markers. With this new boundary line, he states that the lawn could potentially be on town property. Cynthia asks the Landuse Clerk if he would be able to assist with formulating a letter to send to the properties that might be encroaching on the town owned land. Julius responds saying that he can talk with Brian, Code Enforcement Officer, about the properties that might be involved and see if he knows anything about this property before contacting the homeowners. Steve Panish suggests that the board should get in contact with the Town Administrator, Ernest, about the properties as well. He thinks that the oversight from the Town Administrator will be key in ensuring that this concern can be solved with little confrontation.

The next part of the letter from Chris states that they had gone to the old ski area and marked the three corners closest to the dollar general. These lines are only four feet from Dollar General. The letter continues to say that further lines have been drawn established and that it this will further improve the mapping of the property. The final part of the letter notes a visit to Limon Brooks. Here Chris says that he had found the lot corners. Steve Panish states that he is not sure if this means the conservation easement lines or just the property lot lines. Cynthia states that this is the end of the report given by Chris. Karen states that she would like to hear more from him about Liberty Circle to clarify what he found.

Update Jones Brook Park restoration

Cynthia reads an email from Jon Catwick. He received support from the select board to pursue the project. Cynthia notes that there has been some difficulty coming from DOT with regards to sight lines. The potential solution would be to move the parking location to another site. The board agrees that it will support Jon with the project but knows this will take time.

Educational outreach re: Three Ponds: Any updates

Wayne has been in contact with the University of New Hampshire and as of right now they are working on establishing a power point for the community to have access to on the website. Wayne also notes that he would like to confirm with Virginia before finalizing anything about the project. After Virginia Long returns to the meeting, Wayne asks her what her thoughts were on the project. She states that she expected to hear from the University by August 7th. Wayne says that he will follow up with them as to what they are planning.

Milton Zoning Amendments:

Steve notes that he has not heard of anything.

VI. Financial Report:

Steve notes that there have not been any withdrawals from the town budget yet but is almost certain that there has been bills that have needed to have been paid. He believes

that the current budgets are not reflected the current amount. He also notes that the conservation budget is right about where he thinks they should be. Steve reads the amounts off; the unrestricted fund has \$96,106, the legal defense has \$4367, the monitoring fund has \$15,700 in it. Steve states that the town report does not have an itemized list of all expenditures.

Robert Weiss motions to accept the July financial report, Seconded by Karen. The vote is approved unanimously. The motion passes accepting the July financial report.

VII. Other Business:

Elected Karen Golab as Vice Chair:

Wayne Sylvester motions to appoint Karen Golab as vice chair to the Milton Conservation Committee, Seconded by Robert Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion Passes electing Karen Golab as Vice Chair.

Costs for the Plexi-Glass Shields

Virginia Long joins the meeting late and notes that she called staples about a plexiglass shield and the cost of lamination. For the size of the pieces that they are working with she believes that \$150 will be enough to cover this.

Karen Golab motions to expend up to, but not to exceed, one-hundred and fifty dollars for printing of the large trail map for the Casey road conservation sub-committee, Seconded by Robert Weiss. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion passes.

VIII. Adjournment: 6:24PM

Steve Panish motions to adjourn, Seconded by Wayne Sylvester. The vote is approved unanimously. The Motion passes adjourning the meeting.