Milton Conservation Commission November 13, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance: Wayne Sylvester Alt., Karen Golab, Steve Panish, Virginia Long, Paul Blanc

Also in attendance Dana Crossley, Land Use Clerk Excused Members: Cynthia Wyatt and E. Knapp

Public in Attendance: Bonnie Lake, David Lake, Tim Leblanc

Steve Panish called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

S. Panish brought W. Sylvester and V. Long to sit in as a full voting members in place of E. Knapp and C. Wyatt.

<u>Public Input:</u> Tim Leblanc who lives on Heron Circle, inquired with the Conservation Commission if hunting is allowed on the conservation parcel, has checked with Police Department, inquired about a tree stand. S. Panish replied that as long as he is the appropriate distance from the homes and has permission, the Lyman Brook Conservation Easement does not disallow hunting and was unsure in regards to the tree stand.

<u>Approve 10/10/17 Minutes:</u> K. Golab motions to approve the minutes, P. Blanc seconds the motion (V. Long abstained) all in favor minutes approved.

Nonpublic Session RSA 91-A:3 II(c)

Motion to enter (roll call vote). K Golab motions to enter nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3 II c at 6:13pm. P. Blanc seconds the motion. Vote (V. Long (yes), K. Golab (yes), S. Panish (yes), P. Blanc (yes) W. Sylvester (yes)) Entered into Nonpublic at 6:13 Pm. Motion approved to leave nonpublic at 7:17pm.

Casey Road Land Protection Project Committee Update:

- Discuss the Trail Party on December 2nd- V. Long reported that they need help with getting the word out, asked the board to spread the word as much as possible handing out fliers. V. Long drafted a letter to send to the neighboring properties.
- Discuss the PB advice re: 5 acre defunct subdivision- K. Golab reported that Bruce Woodruff and D. Crossley looked at the plans of the subdivision, it cannot be revoked because it was developed all as one plan and just needs to be merged to become one lot.
- K. Golab motions to recommend from the MCC that the 5 (41-68.11, 68.12,68-.13,68 lots including roadway be merged together as one Town owned lot to retain Town ownership for public use, and to be kept for Conservation Land. W. Sylvester, all in favor, motion approved.
- Discuss steps to resolve the 1/12 ownership in the 11.24 open space parcel- K. Golab reported that they are going to need to work with the attorney on resolving the issue. V. Long has drafted a letter to the owners, board discussed how the logging aspect comes into play.
- Discuss submitting warrant articles pertaining to subdivision and open space parcel-tabled.

<u>Discuss unresolved encroachment regarding Rookery Rd, house, follow up on a revised plan</u> <u>amendable to MCC and Housers, and then discuss contacting NHAG re: Revision-</u> P. Blanc presented to the board the photos taken of the area that will be requested for the revision. S. Panish will work on the update for the AG's office.

<u>Discuss Jones Brooke Park and Abutting Payne Property:</u> Board discussed aspects of the property, discussed looking at the easement, willing to partner with the BOS on the project. Board was in agreement and in support of the project, will assist.

- Suggest advising the BOS to rename the Park in honor of Leo Lessard
- Discuss advising the BOS to form an advisory committee to clean up and manage the park
- John Katwick expressed willingness to help

Potential conservation projects: Need action plan for the following-

• 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 look for a conservation easement holder for town owned Spaulding property

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> W. Sylvester motions to pay \$400 to Fraggle Rock for the Wetlands Scientist quote from the Professional services line. K. Golab seconds the motion, all in favor motion approved. (V. Long abstained)

W. Sylvester motions to pay \$336 to Mitchell Law Office for legal services from the professional services line, K. Golab seconds the motion all in favor, motion approved. (V. Long abstained)

V. Long motions to approve up to \$2,000 from conservation budget for Mitchell Group to draft the deeds as specified by Walter Mitchell for the Liberty Circle homeowners to convey their 1/12th interests of the 11.24 acres conservation land to the town. P. Blanc seconds the motion, all in favor motion approved.

Nonpublic Session- RSA 91-A:3 II(c) Not entered.

Other Business:

Board received and reviewed a Wetlands Permit by Notification for retaining wall repair and replacement at 13 Utah Way, no action required.

P. Blanc updated the board with the status report of 160 Governor's Road repair, no action required. Board will review monitoring reports at next meeting.

Adjourn: P. Blanc motions to adjourn at 8:18pm K. Golab seconds the motion all in favor meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Crossley Land Use Clerk