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North Hampton Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2016

Administrative

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. The agenda was posted in compliance with RSA 91A requirements.

Roll Call

Attendance included Chris Ganotis (Cahir), Lisa Wilson (Vice Chair), Kathy Grant, Russell Jeppesen, and Andrew Vorkink.

Reading of Ethics Policy Preamble

The Chair then read the Ethics Policy Preamble.

Consideration of Minutes March 8, 2016

After review of the minutes, *a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, Duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to accept the minutes as written.* The motion carried with Andrew Vorkink abstaining.

Election of Officers

After some discussion, a motion was made by Kathy Grant, *duly seconded by Russell Jeppesen, to retain the current officers in their positions.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Nomination of Commission Reappointments

The Chair read RSA 36A: 3, which states that members of the Commission shall be approved by the Town Selectmen. After the reading, *a motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Lisa Wilson, that Kathy Grant and Philip Thayer be recommended for Select Board reappointment to the Commission.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

New Business

Placement of Lady Slipper Plants on Conservation Parcel

The Chair received a request from Matt Lajoie to plant Lady Slippers on the Conservation parcel behind the outlet mall. After some discussion, *a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to table this*

matter until the next meeting after further explanation is submitted. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

FB Environmental Proposals

Water quality testing for the Winnicut River has been approved.

The Chair will have the FB Environmental Septic System brochure placed on the Town website for a public outreach on how a septic system works and how to maintain it properly maintain.

Old Business

Conservation Sub-Division Easement Agreement 142 Mill Rd Map 12, Lot 67

A Draft Conservation Sub-Division Easement Agreement discussion was tabled from the March meeting. After some discussion, *a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, duly seconded by Andrew Vorkink, to keep the proposal alive, pursue a third party trust easement agreement and if unsuccessful in securing a trust to hold the easement, to discontinue the search.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Easement Sub-Committee Update on Deed Reviews

Some town conservation parcels have little or inadequate conservation deed restrictions. Andrew Vorkink and others on the commission have been diligently reviewing the parcels that need deed restrictions. The Chair is investigating on how the Town acquired some parcels, to confirm conservation intent and to review them with the Select Board. Parcels will be categorized based on varying needs for deed corrections. After some discussion, *a motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Lisa Wilson, for the Commission approval for the Easement Sub-committee to prepare supporting documentation to present them to the Select Board.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Septic System Public Awareness Discussion

There was discussion regarding alternative ways to implement public outreach for septic system maintenance.

Administrative Update on Conservation Files

Review of the Conservation files for conservation parcels needing corrective deeds will continue to support recommendations to the Select Board.

Other Business

South East Land Trust Monitoring

The Chair will be meeting with Danielle Christopher tomorrow, April 13, 2016 at 1:00 PM regarding monitoring the Luff property.

Seacoast Roundtable Meeting April 11, 2016

Proposed Legislation for Conservation Land Disposition

The Chair attended a meeting of the Seacoast Round Table of Conservation Commissions on April 11. One topic discussed at the meeting was a proposed draft amendment to RSA 36A for change in easements to permit development on Conservation land. The amendment was withdrawn because easements cannot be changed without a review by the Attorney General's Charitable Trust office.

There being no other business, ***a motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, dulyseconded by Kathy Grant, to adjourn the meeting.*** The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Moore
Recording Secretary

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