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North Hampton Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes – October 10, 2023

Administrative: The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. via Channel 22 from the Town Hall. The agenda was posted in compliance with RSA 91-A requirements.

Roll Call: Members present: Lisa Wilson (Chair), Kathy Grant (Co-Chair), Dave Ciccalone, Audrey Prior, Phil Thayer, and Andrew Vorkink.

Approval of September 12, 2023 Draft Minutes: After review of the September 12, 2023 minutes, *a motion was made by Kathy Grant, duly seconded by Audrey Prior to accept the minutes as written with two corrections:* the spelling of Marc Lariviere's name and mowed the Community Garden). The motion carried.

Old Business:

Conservation Easement Subcommittee Update - Nothing to report

Trail Maintenance Update: Kate Dardinski reported that she completed 200 feet of bog bridges at Forest Hills Farm, has cleared vegetation at the Town Forest, and has completed the first draft for the Town Forest Map. Kate reported that there are two larger trees down at the Town Forest trail that will need to be removed by someone who is able to use a chain saw. Phil Thayer offered to remove the trees along the Town Forest trail.

Phil Thayer requested an additional \$100.00 for the completion of mowing the Community Garden. (The total cost was \$600.00, not \$500.00). *A motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Kathy Grant to approve an additional expenditure of \$100.00.* The motion carried.

Conservation Signage: Additional signage for the Town Forest, Forest Hills Farm, and Dustin-Booker Farm has been delivered for Kate Dardinski to install along the trails. In addition, 12 safety signs reminding hikers to wear blaze orange are available for the Commissioners and Kate Dardinski to install at Corbett Farm, Dustin-Booker Farm, Oliver Brook Trail, and other conservation parcels where hunting is permitted.

Other Business: None

Non-Public Session: RSA 91-A:3, II(d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community. Lisa Wilson called a roll call vote and the motion carried.

The public meeting adjourned to enter in non-public session at 7:15 p.m.

The Commission entered into a non-public session at 7:16 p.m.

Non-Public Session Members Present: Members present: Lisa Wilson, (Chair), Kathy Grant (Vice Chair), Dave Ciccalone, Audrey Prior, Phil Thayer, Andrew Vorkink, and Beverly Moore.

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A motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Phil Thayer, to leave the Non-Public Session at 8:11 p.m. Lisa Wilson called a roll call vote and the motion carried.

Public Session reconvened at 8:12 p.m. *A motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to seal the minutes.* Lisa Wilson called a roll call vote and the motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, *a motion was made by Phil Thayer, duly seconded by Kathy Grant*, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Moore

Recording Secretary

"These minutes were prepared within five (5) business days as required by NH RSA 91-A:2, II. They will not be finalized until approved by the majority vote by the Commission".