

As Approved
North Hampton Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2016

Administrative

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. The agenda was posted in compliance with RSA 91A requirements.

Roll Call

Attendance included Chris Ganotis (Chair), Lisa Wilson (Vice Chair), Kathy Grant, Russell Jeppesen, Phil Thayer and Andrew Vorkink. Members of the public included Richard Luff, Sagamore Golf Club.

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After some discussion and two corrections, *a motion was made by Phil Thayer, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to accept the minutes as amended with Lisa Wilson and Russell Jeppesen abstaining.*

The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

New Business

Greystone Village Subdivision Expansion Update

The Planning Board Chair advised the Commission that the applicant needs to return to the Planning Board to apply for a Conditional Use Permit.

FB Environmental Update

Water quality testing for Little River results are still pending.

Old Business

Luff Conservation Parcels Stewardship Management Plan Draft and SELT Recommendations

Deborah Goard from SELT notified the Chair and Vice Chair that additional information will be needed to complete the Stewardship Management Plan Draft. After some discussion, *a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to direct the Chair to contact Kevin Ryan, certified wildlife biologist with FB Environmental, to review required information needed and to propose a work plan and budget.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Review of Luff Conservation Land Access Deed and SELT Review

Richard Luff of Sagamore Golf Club requested that safety zone and no hunting signs be placed on both the private property and the conservation land. After some discussion, *a motion was made by Phil Thayer, duly seconded by Andrew Vorkink, to allow Richard Luff's crew to place "No Hunting/Safety Zone" signs on both the private land and the Conservation land. The motion* carried with a unanimous vote.

Review of Luff Conservation Land Access Deed and SELT Review

The Orange and Yellow Trails were discussed concerning the right-of-way deed referencing trail maps Exhibits A & B. The Chair and Andrew Vorkink have scheduled a meeting with Richard Luff on November 14th discuss the trails and the access to the conservation land.

Follow-Up to Select Board Sign off of Legal Work for Category A & C Parcels and Documentation for Commission Management

After some discussion, *a motion was made by Phil Thayer, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to authorize Andrew Vorkink to contact Michelle Peckham to review and finalize conservation deed restrictions for Select Board sign-off.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Pending Issue on Category B Parcel

The deed restrictions for the Luck parcel is still pending Select Board approval. In correspondence by the Chair with Shelly Cross (Mr. Luck's daughter) she told him that her father's intent was for the parcel to be used for conservation and she added that no structures that could attract vagrants be placed on the conservation parcel. She added that Mr Luck wanted to have walking trails on the parcel that could be placed to connect with trails on the school property. The Select Board still needs to consider the approval of the draft deed restrictions to conform with the wishes of Luck family.

Other Business

Marston Farm

Walter Nordstrom advised the Chair that he noticed some tire ruts from a motorized vehicle on the Marston Farm Conservation land. Phil Thayer will place signs on the parcel to indicate that motorized vehicles are prohibited on the conservation land.

Proposal for Public Safety Facility

There was recent discussion at the select board meetings for a preliminary proposal for the Public Safety Facility on the Hobbs Farm land across Rt 1 from the Throwback brewery. Part of the proposal included a portion of the land for conservation. At the Select Board meeting on November 2, 2016 the Select Board was given a presentation and then considered the proposal. After discussion, the Select Board voted to reject the proposal.

Wetlands Violation

A copy of a complaint letter was received by the Commission from Attorney Salomon concerning a party who has been filling wetlands on a parcel off North Road. The letter was sent to the Code Enforcement Officer, who had previously notified the DES Wetlands Bureau. The DES is conducting an enforcement action for the wetlands violation at the parcel near the Little River and is corresponding with the party who was filling the wetlands.

Structure on Conservation parcel

Phil Thayer indicated that he saw a makeshift shelter where a homeless person appears to be living on the conservation land behind the Shaw's/Home Depot mall. Philip indicated that he will verify the information and notify the Police accordingly.

There being no further business to discuss, ***a motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Phil Thayer***, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Moore

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