

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

March 7, 2019

Hillsborough Town Office

Approved Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Richard Head, Chair; Roger Shamel.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

John Segedy was designated to vote in place of a vacancy. Chair Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

1. February 21, 2019

John Segedy moved: *To approve the minutes of February 21, 2019.*

Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Society for the Preservation of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) - Donation Request.**
- 2. Student Conservation Association's New Hampshire Corps (SCA NH Corps) – Partnering Inquiry Pamphlet.** Richard Head suggested this might be helpful for the Confluence Trail project. He asked John Segedy to scan the pamphlet and forward it to all Commissioners for discussion at the next meeting.
- 3. Town of Hillsborough – Expense report.**
- 4. Arthur Siciliano - Proposal was still in correspondence folder.** John Segedy will follow up with Dianne so it can be paid and sent.

OLD BUSINESS

1. 2019 Activities

a. Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) Review / Prioritizing areas for protection.

In her absence Linda White e-mailed her view that the un-fragmented areas should be expanded upon, particularly in the Northern area of town which has been identified by the Quabbin to Cardigan (Q2C) initiative. Roger Shamel said he agreed with Linda and had some specific properties in mind. The Commission reviewed the Conserved area map from the NRI and discussed connecting conserved properties. It was noted that some updates were needed on the map. Richard Head suggested developing a general plan before considering specific properties.

John Segedy suggested that if the Aquifer Protection Ordinance passes at Town Meeting, those areas should be considered for protection.

The Commission reviewed the Ecologically Significant Areas Maps (From the NRI). It was suggested that connections between the Northern areas and Fox Forest.

John Segedy suggested the Conservation areas in the SE area of town were important in connecting to conservation land in Deering and Henniker as well as the Contoocook River. Richard Head noted the Shedd, Beard & Sand Brook corridors were important for animal travel. He also expressed interest in preserving farm land.

The HCC discussed preparing a presentation that could be made to interested land owners. John Segedy suggested the presentation be recorded so that it could be shown to those unable to attend a local meeting.

The Commission will continue discussion at the next meeting. A duplicate map (Conservation and Parcels) will be obtained for updating and working on. It was also suggested to consider land that is in current use. John Segedy will investigate getting a map or list of those properties.

b. Cellar Hole Inventory – Tabled until next meeting.

c. Conservation Easement Template – John Segedy provided notes on the Draft. that Richard Head had provided at the last meeting which the Commission discussed. Richard said he would incorporate the discussion in a final draft.

ADJOURNMENT

Roger Shamel moved: *To adjourn.*

Richard Head seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
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