

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

February 16, 2021

Virtual Meeting on Zoom Platform

Approved Minutes

Chair Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm and read Emergency Authorization for virtual meeting – see Appendix 1.

Members were polled indicating their presence and any others at their location:

Richard Head, Chair – no one else present; Linda White, Vice-Chair– no one else present; Terry Yeaton– no one else present, Sam Stark- no one else present, Roger Shamel – Susan Shamel present. Also attending: John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate; Susan Shamel; Ann Poole. John Segedy was appointed to vote in place of Richard McNamara, Roger Shamel was appointed to vote in place of a vacancy.

VISITOR BUSINESS

a. Ann Poole - Chair Head reviewed the HCC's process of this initial meeting, a spring site visit, and then receiving proposals. Ann Poole described her experience noting she is a wetland scientist. She noted she has served on the Hillsborough Planning Board (HPB) and as a Library Trustee. Experience working on trails and Master Plans as well as specific projects including the Tilton River Front and the Horse Hill Preserve in Merrimack.

Roger Shamel asked if she was familiar with the property? Ms. Poole answered yes, noting having visited it two years ago when preparing her proposal at that time. She explained that she would want to work to avoid wetland crossings to the extent possible.

Linda White asked if Ms. Poole would be able to handle the actual construction? Ann Poole answered that she would expect to do the design but have the HCC use volunteers to do the construction. She said she could help oversee volunteers.

Richard Head said he would be arranging a site visit with those interested in making proposals in the spring and asked if she was still interested in the project? Ann Poole answered in the affirmative.

MINUTES

a. February 2, 2021

Terry Yeaton offered grammatical changes.

Linda White moved: *To approve the Minutes of February 2, 2021 as amended*

Richard Head seconded. Roll Call Vote: Linda White – Yes, Terry Yeaton – Yes, Richard Head – Yes, Sam Stark– Yes, John Segedy – Yes, Roger Shamel - Yes. Motion passed 6-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

a. Town of Hillsborough – December and January Expense reports.

b. NHPDIP (NH Public Deposit Investment Pool) – Account Statement balance \$125,158.71.

c. NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) – Forestry Statutory Permit-BY-Notification. (M 8, L 144).

d. DES – Received Wetland permit Application. 802 West Main St. (M 19, L 8).

e. Ann Poole – Letter to Hillsborough Planning board regarding Carr Road Motor Home project. (M 1, L 21-1 & 27)

f. Chris Sieg & Jon Daley – e-mail thread regarding 6 Wall Street project. Richard Head noted that Mr. Sieg would be attending HPB meeting and that he could share his concerns himself.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Website** – Tabled
- b. **Confluence Trail -West Main St. (M 11K, L 330-1)** – Tabled.
- c. **Old Mill Farm Subdivision**, Beard Road (M 8, L 106 et. al. & M 11E, L 9 & 9-1).

Richard Head reported he had met with Planning Director Robyn Payson and the Life Forest owner. He noted that the Life Forest owner was not excited about the idea of granting an easement on lot 9. Richard noted he had spoken also with the attorney for the development company regarding granting a conservation easement over the entirety of lot 9-1 to the HCC instead. They were agreeable to the idea with conditions: a. They would be able to continue the build out of the development, b. The Town would accept the roads, c. Confirmation of the Modification of the plans. Richard Head summarized that the issue was now in the hands of the HPB, and Selectboard. He is planning on attending the HPB meeting on February 17th.

- d. **Rowe Marsh** (M 9, L 99). Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Data Base access.** Tabled.

ADJOURNMENT

Roger Shamel moved: *To adjourn.*

Linda White seconded. A Roll Call vote was taken: Linda White – Yes, Terry Yeaton – Yes, Richard Head – Yes, Roger Shamel – Yes, John Segedy – Yes, Sam Stark - Yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
Approved March 2, 2021

Appendix 1:

**Town of Hillsborough Conservation Commission
Emergency Authorization notice**

As Chair of the Hillsborough Conservation Commission, due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this Board is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to the meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, this is to confirm that:

We are utilizing the Zoom Meeting platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the Board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through the Zoom Meeting platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through the following:

You can join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone by going to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86128206714>

Or by One tap mobile:

+19292056099,,82029173666#

Or Dial in by your location: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Or find your local number at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82029173666>

Use Meeting ID: 86128206714

We previously gave notice to the public of how to access the meeting using Zoom Meeting and instructions are provided on the Town of Hillsborough's website at: www.town.hillsborough.nh.us.

If unable to connect to the meeting call Chair Richard Head at 603-716-8235

In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, we will adjourn the meeting and have it rescheduled at that time.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by Roll Call vote.

Let's start the meeting by taking a Roll Call attendance. When each member states their presence, also please state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law.