

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

April 23, 2024

Approved Minutes

Hillsborough Town Hall, 27 School St.

Chair Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Richard Head, Chair; James McDonough, Vice Chair; Terry Yeaton, Linda White, Jim Riddle, Roger Shamel.

Staff: John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

MINUTES

a. April 9, 2024

Terry Yeaton moved: *To approve the minutes of April 9, 2024.*

Jim Riddle seconded. Motion passed 5-0-1 (Roger Shamel abstained).

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Town of Hillsborough Planning Department** – Request for Comment on Change of Use Application for 29 West Main Street (M 23, L 142). Change is from a school to a Hair Salon. The Commission reviewed the plan.

James McDonough moved: *To authorize Chair Head to respond to the Planning Department that the HCC had no comment on the proposal.*

Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

- b. Town of Hillsborough** – Monthly expense report.
- c. NH Lakes Association** – Conference notice.
- d. DES (Department of Environmental Services)** – Closing one of duplicate applications. Patriot Hydro LLC, 50 Dam Rd. (M 10, L 58).

OLD BUSINESS

a. Confluence Trail - West Main St. (M 11K, L 330-1). Richard Head will send abutter list and notices for the application to John Segedy to mail. John Segedy reported having asked a Girl Scout leader about the kiosk who said that some girls might be able to help but not likely to take on whole project. James McDonough said he had spoken to a Boy Scout Leader and a scout who might be interested in taking on the project. Richard Head suggested James invite them to a meeting.

b. Easement Monitoring – Annual monitoring walk of Philbrick easement (Carter Hill Rd M 3, L 23) will be done on May 19. Commission will meet at the Park and Ride at 10:00 and proceed to the property.

c. Trail & Conservation Property List – Work Session – The Commission continued reviewing the properties list. Following up on discussion from previous meeting John Segedy shared the deed for the Manahan Park property noting the required protection of the large trees on the property. Other properties discussed included the Dawson Forest (M 12, L 144, 148, 149, 154) and nearby Town and State properties, the Lake Lot (M 9, L 40), Rowe Marsh (M 9, L 99) and adjoining Town properties, Fox Forest, Town property adjoining Bennett Subdivision and Fox Forest (M 11J, L 362) (suggested future Town Forest), Town Marsh (M 12A, L 3) (Suggested future clearing of second access on Madison Circle). Further work will continue at future meetings.

OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

d. Conservation Opportunities – Linda White reported meeting with representatives from a conservation organization and land owners. Both the owners and organization are very interested in moving forward on a conservation easement and will begin the process.

e. Signs - Roger Shamel reported that the entryway sign is ready to install, he will coordinate with Life Forest to do so. The sign at trail beginning will need assistance. This will be scheduled at the next meeting.

f. Election of Officers

Jim Riddle nominated Richard Head to be Chair. Roger Shamel seconded. Passed 5-0-1 (Richard Head abstained).

Terry Yeaton nominated James McDonough to be Vice Chair. Roger Shamel seconded. Passed 5-0-1 (James McDonough abstained).

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Riddle moved: *To adjourn.*

Roger Shamel seconded. Motion Passed 6-0 at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
Approved May 14, 2024