

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

June 6, 2019

Hillsborough Town Office

Approved Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Richard Head, Chair; Linda White, Vice Chair; Richard McNamara.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate; Jon Daley, Selectperson.

Cheryl Barlow; Sam Stark; Peter Mellen.

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

VISITOR BUSINESS

1. Expedited Review – Minor Subdivision – Gould Pond Road (M 9, L 38 & 170.

Cheryl Barlow addressed the HCC asking for the HCC to approve expedited review by DES (Department of Environmental Services) of her plans for a minor subdivision creating a 2.9 acre back lot that will be accessed by a 14' driveway including a 15" diameter culvert. The Commission reviewed the application that was provided.

Linda White moved: *To authorize Chair Head to sign the application authorizing expedited review by DES.*

Seconded by Richard McNamara. Motion passed 3-0.

2. Peter Mellen

a. Confluence Lot (M 11K, L 330-1) – Peter Mellen said he had been told that the Town cut the unsafe trees along the boundary near the road at the request of the Bosses. Consensus of the HCC was they had no concern about the cutting. John Segedy suggested that a shared driveway be considered with the eastern property owner and following through with old lot line adjustment.

b. Lake Lot (M 9, L 40) – Peter Mellen asked about completing his work on surveying the property by putting up HCC markers on the property lines. The properties history was reviewed as a tax deeded lot being held on to at the request of the HCC because of its value having Sand Brook passing through it, was reviewed. The question was whether the Selectboard would officially designate it as being under HCC management for conservation purposes pursuant to RSA 36-A. Richard Head said he would attend a Selectboard meeting to discuss this with them.

c. Snowfairy Preserve (M 2, L1) – Linda White noted that Anne Eldridge of the Bradford Conservation Commission was writing about the property and asked for any information about the old mill on the property. Peter said it may go back to when the property was owned by Benjamin Pierce, but that was just a guess.

MINUTES

May 16, 2019

One edit was suggested.

Linda White moved: *To approve the minutes of May 16, 2019 as amended.*

Richard McNamara seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE**1. NH Lakes Association – Dues request.**

Richard McNamara asked for an explanation for the HCC's membership. It was explained that the membership allows the Franklin Pierce Association to receive a grant that pays for the Lake Host Program that provides monitors at the Franklin Pierce boat launch to inspect for invasive species. Richard McNamara asked if there is a similar program at Loon Pond? He was told that while Loon Pond is currently not monitored, DES has a Volunteer Lake Monitor program. Richard Head said he would send information about it to Richard McNamara.

Linda White moved: To approve payment of the NH Lakes Association dues.

Richard McNamara seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

2. DES – West Main St. (M 18, L 23). Acceptance of Permit Application Notification. It was noted that the HCC hadn't received a copy of the application as required. John Segedy will request a copy.

3. Town of Hillsborough – Monthly Expense Report.

4. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) – Notification of Upcoming field survey work for floodplain mapping in the Contoocook Watershed.

OLD BUSINESS**1. 2019 Activities List****a. Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) Review / Prioritizing areas for protection.**

Richard Head shared the map he had worked on and the HCC reviewed it and made some comments. They discussed general areas of conservation interest. He noted they still needed to put together a presentation for landowners. John Segedy suggested coordinating with the Conservation Commissions in the adjoining towns when presenting to property owners near those borders. Linda White will compile a list of properties in areas of interest.

b. House Rock – Tabled.

c. River Walk – A maintenance session will be scheduled later in the summer.

d. Culvert – John Segedy reported that separately from the HCC's prior discussion of class 6 roads, the Selectboard was discussing designation of emergency lanes. Jon Daley had asked if the HCC had a preference about replacement of the culvert previously discussed on Sand Knoll Road? Chair Head expressed the Commission's consensus that it would be best to replace it.

New Business

1. July 4th meeting – It was agreed by consensus to cancel the meeting subject to nothing urgent arising.

2. Membership – Sam Stark was asked if he wanted to join the Commission? He answered yes. Chair Head will submit his name for appointment by the Selectboard.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard McNamara moved: To adjourn.

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
Approved June 20, 2019