

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

January 23, 2014

Hillsborough Town Office

Approved Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Brett Cherrington, Chair; Terry Yeaton; Richard Head, Jim Young, Rob Drummond.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary (Alternate).

Peter Mellen

Chair Cherrington called the Conservation Commission (CC) meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

VISITOR BUSINESS

Peter Mellen appeared and reported that the Farley Road survey and marking was complete and supplied the Commission with copies of the plan and his bill.

The Commission reviewed the plan and discussed it with Peter Mellen answering questions.

The Patenaude Marsh survey was discussed.

Brett Cherrington noted that Peter Mellen's original proposal had an option for conducting the survey work in phases.

The Commission reviewed the town map and discussed the proposal. The consensus of the Commission was that the entrance corridors to the property were a priority.

The Commission agreed with Peter Mellen that he would provide a break down of the project into two halves, with the first half to include work at the access areas and areas better done during the winter.

Peter Mellen left at 7:50 pm.

MINUTES

1. January 9, 2014

Richard Head offered wording changes.

Richard Head moved: *To approve the minutes of January 9, 2014 as amended.*

Terry Yeaton seconded. Motion passed 3-0-2 (Jim Young and Rob Drummond abstained).

CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Moosewood LLC** - Bill - \$275.00.
2. **Five Rivers Conservation Trust** – Letter acknowledging receipt of monitoring report for Olivia St. John Easement and thanking Commission.
3. **Laura Buono** – E-mail re warrant articles. Currently there will be warrant articles for a) Increasing to 75% the amount of Current Use penalty that goes to the conservation fund; b) Directing that the unexpended portion of the Conservation Commission budget be transferred to the Conservation Fund each year; and c) The Woods Property Purchase. She is investigating whether a warrant article is required to authorize the transfer of a conservation deed associated with the Shaws development.
4. **Rachel Hawkinson** - E-mail
Resignation of Vice-Chair position.

5. **Susan Rauth** – E-mail.

Brett Cherrington reviewed the recent involvement of the CC regarding the Rauth/Gould property.

Brett Cherrington moved to enter Non Public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3II(d). Richard Head seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Richard Head -Yes; Terry Yeaton - Yes; Jim Young - Yes; Brett Cherrington - Yes; Rob Drummond – Yes. The Commission entered Non-Public session at 8:05 pm.

The Commission exited Non-Public session at 8:28 pm.

Richard Head moved to seal the minutes of the Non-Public session.

Terry Yeaton seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Richard Head -Yes; Terry Yeaton - Yes; Jim Young - Yes; Brett Cherrington - Yes; Rob Drummond – Yes.

Motion passed 5-0

OLD BUSINESS

1. Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)

It was noted that no public comments had been received regarding the draft report. The latest version of the Conservation Lands Map with proposed corrections was reviewed.

2. Emerald Lake Village District (ELVD) – Granite State Rural Water Association (GSRWA)

John Segedy updated the Commission about the latest meeting. He explained an idea that the ELVD Water Supply Protection Committee had discussed that would allow off site mitigation in dealing with replacing a failed septic system. After discussion the Commission expressed that they would rather see efforts put towards requiring a more technologically advanced system in those cases, so that they would be feasible on site. John Segedy said he would convey that to the group.

John Segedy also reported that the Committee members would like to work on a Groundwater Protection Ordinance. He said that he had expressed his belief that the CC would be interested in this based on prior conversations, but that his own beliefs might be different from the Commission's. He reported that the group suggested that such a proposal or goal might be incorporated in the Master Plan Update.

John Segedy said that the Committee had asked about getting the “Ecologically Significant Areas” dataset from the NRI in order to incorporate it into its report. Brett Cherrington said that they had not received the dataset yet, but that John Segedy could contact Jeff Littleton about it. There was also discussion of sharing of Emerald Lake Parcel information between the group and Jeffry Littleton to maximize the quality of both reports.

3. Bara Dental - Dutton Twins Development Update

Brett Cherrington reported on attending the Planning Board's meeting on January 15. He reported that the Town Engineer was reviewing the drainage plans per the Commission's request, and that the parking incursion into the 75' setback had been explained and the applicant will presumably address it in their next presentation. Brett Cherrington reported that the Planning Board will be conducting a site-walk at 4:00 on February 5, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

Brett Cherrington having reported that Rachel Hawkinson had resigned her position as Vice-Chair, and called for a volunteer/nomination for the position.

Richard Head nominated Terry Yeaton as Vice-Chair.

Jim Young seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard Head moved: *To adjourn.*

Rob Drummond seconded. Motion passed 5-0 at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy

Recording Secretary

Approved February 13, 2014