

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 6, 2016

Hillsborough Town Office

Approved Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Terry Yeaton, Vice Chair; Richard Head; Linda White.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

Brett Cherrington

Acting Chair Yeaton called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:07 pm. John Segedy was appointed to vote in place of a vacant position.

VISITOR BUSINESS

Brett Cherrington addressed the HCC to share some observations.

1. He had noticed that with the Contoocook River being low, a lot of junk in it is visible and this would be a good time to clean it up. The Commission discussed options but noted that due to diminished membership, the ability to take on projects was limited.
2. That the Selectboard had not dealt with the Commission's need for membership.
3. That the Planning board may make changes to the Natural Resources section of the Master Plan that had been previously submitted to the Master Plan Subcommittee. The HCC discussed and agreed to monitor the Planning Boards work.

MINUTES

1. September 15, 2016

Terry Yeaton noted a missing word and Linda White noted a missing apostrophe.

Richard Head moved: *To approve the minutes of September 15, 2016 as amended.*

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Voss Signs** – Phone correspondence regarding trail markers.
2. **NHACC (New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions)**. - Card reminder of annual meeting.
3. **Intent to Cut** – Stowe Mountain Road (M 4, L 40 & 46).
4. **Intent to Cut** – Farley Road (M 5, L 69).
5. **NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES)** – Complete Forestry Notification (M 5, L 69).
6. **NHDES** – File closed, 141 Gould Pond Road (M 9, L 41).
7. **NHDES** – Request for more information, 25 Morgan Road (M 20, L 31).
8. **NH Public Deposit Investment Pool** – Account Statement. The Commission briefly discussed, noting a deposit of \$15,862.23. Richard Head suggested it might be from a current use assessment.
9. **NHACC** – E-mail – Landowner Liability Protection Brochure.

- 10. Laura Buono** – E-mail to Terry Yeaton reported that the property on the Second NH Turnpike that had been previously discussed by the HCC as a possible access to an easement on the Black/Hatfield property had been returned to the owner who had paid up the taxes.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Trails** – Richard Head reported he had gotten GPS readings for the proposed trail he had been working on at the Old Mill Farm property and shared a map with the proposed trail. He said he may flag it if he has the time. The HCC will mark the trail when Trail markers are obtained.
- 2. Markers** – John Segedy reported that the mailing with samples from Voss Signs had been returned due to his having used the Town's street address rather than the PO Box. It is being resent.
- 3. Signs** – tabled.
- 4. Easement Monitoring** – The HCC agreed that some of them would walk the Olivia Smith easement on November 6th at 9:00.
- 5. Property Acquisition**

Richard Head moved: *For the HCC to enter Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:4 II d.*

Linda White seconded. Roll call vote: Terry Yeaton – yes, Linda White – yes, Richard Head – yes, John Segedy - yes. **Motion passed 4-0 at 7:47 pm.**

Linda White reported that the property is being surveyed. The cost for this will be \$11,000.00 with the first bill having been submitted already for \$4,400.00. There was discussion of fund raising efforts that will be undertaken to cover the approximately \$35,000.00 total cost of expenses. Anne Eldridge, Bradford Conservation Commission member, will be conducting a meeting on Friday, 10/21, to discuss fund raising options. Representatives from HCC, the “No Corvus” group and Rural Heritage Connection of Bradford will be attending. The consensus of the HCC was to wait and see how fund raising goes before deciding how much to possibly contribute.

Richard Head moved: *For the HCC to exit Non-Public Session.*

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 8:00 pm.

Richard Head moved: *To leave the minutes of the Non-Public Session Public.*

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 8:04 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard Head moved: *To adjourn.*

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 4-0 at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
Approved October 20, 2016