HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

April 24, 2014 Hillsborough Town Office Unapproved Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Brett Cherrington, Chair; Terry Yeaton, Vice Chair; Linda White; Jim Young; Rob Drummond.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

Chair Cherrington called the Conservation Commission (CC) meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

MINUTES

1. April 10, 2014

Linda White suggested a couple of grammatical changes.

Linda White moved: To approve the minutes of April 10, 2014 as amended.

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

2. April 10, 2014 – Non-Public Session

Linda White moved: *To approve the minutes of March 27, 2014 Non-Public Session as presented.* Terry Yeaton seconded. Motion passed 3-0-2 (Rob Drummond and Jim Young abstained).

CORRESPONDENCE

- **1. Intent to Cut** Emerald Lane (M 9, L 100 & 116). Discussion of the property and potential wetlands.
- 2. Monthly Expense Report & Bank Statement \$111,083.83. It was noted the deposit from the abandoned Woods property purchase had not been returned yet. Brett will check into it.
- 3. Sue Rauth / Bob Gould E-mail regarding potential property purchase.
- **4.** Laura Buono E-mail regarding closing costs.

Brett Cherrington moved: To enter Non-Public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II. (d) for consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community. Jim Young seconded. Roll Call vote: Terry Yeaton -yes, Jim Young -yes, Rob Drummond -yes, Linda White -yes, Brett Cherrington -yes. Motion passed 5-0.

The Commission entered Non-Public session at 8:35 pm.

The Commission returned to Public session at 8:42 pm.

Linda White moved: *To seal the minutes of the Non-Public session*. Rob Drummond seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Goals

Jim Young expressed he was still interested in working on a hand out about Conserved and Historical areas in town.

Terry Yeaton suggested that when the web site change over is complete it would be nice to have a link for people to submit pictures of wildlife and/or conservation issues.

There was extensive discussion of wildlife sightings in Hillsborough.

2. Conservation Commission Representation

There was discussion of vacancies in CC representation on the Kemp Park committee and on the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers Local Advisory Committee (CNBRLAC), and the possibility of new members possibly being interested in filling these.

Jim Young expressed interest in serving on the CNBRLAC. Consensus of the Commission was in support of him doing so. He will contact them and follow up.

Rob Drummond said he might be interested in serving in the future in some capacity, but would prefer to wait until he had been on the CC for a while.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Institutional Memory Exercise

Corner of Jones & Center Road

Brett Cherrington pointed out the nearby Cottrell Forest now owned by SPNHF (The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests). He also noted that when the water line was replaced a number of years ago that there was a violation along Bible Hill Road and a restoration afterwards. Jim Young recalled a Giardial outbreak years ago from beaver getting into the reservoir on top of Bible Hill that was uncovered at that time Terry Yeaton noted that Anette Cottrell was also recognized at Odiorne State Park for contributions there.

2. Kimbal & Dean Hill Roads

Brett Cherrington recalled a large timber cut in that area about 8 years ago.

There was discussion of logging in general and ways to advise people on cutting in ways that do less damage to the land. Consensus was to approach in positive fashion.

ADJOURNMENT

Linda White moved: To adjourn.

Jim Young seconded. Motion passed 5-0 at 9:08 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy Recording Secretary