HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION July 12, 2012 Official Minutes

Present:

Commissioners: Brett Cherrington, Chair; Linda White, Vice Chair; Tom Fournier; Terry Yeaton; Jacob Fournier; Ann Ford (Alternate)

Staff: John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary

Public: Jeffry Littleton, Moosewood Engineering LLC; John Peckham, Antioch College Intern

Chair Brett Cherrington called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Ann Ford was appointed to vote in place of Richard Head.

Visitor Business

1. Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) - Update

Jeffry Littleton addressed the Commission to update them on the progress he has made on the NRI. He introduced John Peckham, the intern from Antioch College who has been working on the field work with him, to the Commission.

Jeffry Littleton thanked Brett Cherrington for sending the information about recent law changes (NH NB 514). He said that he didn't think it would affect his work on Hillsborough's project as the notifications/authorizations had all been done before the changes went into effect.

Terry Yeaton suggested it would be helpful to have the lot numbers on the authorization forms.

Jeffry Littleton shared a map with the commission and referred to it in describing some of the locations he and John Peckham have been doing field work. He described some of the wildlife they had observed including the 2 Heron Rookeries.

Jeffry Littleton also discussed the Contoocook River and its floodplain. He said he hadn't seen a lot in the way of invasive plants.

Jeffrey Littleton talked about some sampling that he and John Peckham had done along Sand Brook and Beard Brook.

John Peckham said he had been working on a piece of town land near Loon Pond. He talked about seeing wildlife and signs of them including moose, deer, owls and hawks among others. Jeffry Littleton said that John's next task would be looking at the Wenney-Baker property.

Brett Cherrington asked about the town getting the raw data from all the NRI work after it is complete. He said they had gotten the raw data when the wetlands study was done. Brett Cherrington thought it was important to have for the long term and for future comparisons.

Jeffry Littleton said he would provide the data, although it probably would have limited use to a lay person.

Brett Cherrington and Linda White said they might be available to accompany them (Jeffry Littleton & John Peckham) during one of their days doing field work.

There was a brief discussion of winter field work.

Minutes

June 28, 2012 A couple of grammatical changes were suggested. Linda White moved: To approve the minutes of June 28, 2012 as amended. Ann Ford seconded. Motion passed 4-0-2 (Tom Fournier and Jacob Fournier abstained).

<u>Old Business</u>

- 1. Official Document Review Tabled until next meeting
- 2. **Property Marking Sign Purchasing -** Brett Cherrington reported he had contacted Adrian Name Plate Co.. Prices are: 100 for \$250.00, 250 for \$400.00, 500 for \$650.00, or 1,000 for \$1,150.00. The Commission discussed the prices. Tabled item until next meeting to get budget figures.
- 3. **Rand Property** Ann Ford reported she had talked to Abby Rand and they would arrange to look at property later in the summer.

<u>New Business</u>

- 1. **Jefferson Drive Property** The Commission discussed an e-mail that had been received regarding the property and its boundaries. There was discussion of marking the property and the consensus was to put it on the Commissions' list of field work.
- 2. August 9th Meeting Brett Cherrington reported that the Library would like to use the meeting room for a book discussion group that night. Alternatives were discussed. John Segedy will check on availability of alternatives and report back at the next meeting.

Correspondence

- 1. New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) File closed. 20 Rocky Point Road (M 5, L 112).
- 2. Moosewood LLC Invoice.
- 3. Coverts Project Pamphlet & Application.
- 4. **Forest Notes** Magazine. Article about the Wenney-Baker Forest on Thompson Hill was noted.

Other Business

1. Monitoring Log

Linda White sent out by e-mail to Commissioners to review. She would like corrections sent to her.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Tom Fournier moved: *To adjourn*. Ann Ford seconded. Motion passed 6-0 at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy Recording Secretary Approved July 26, 2012