HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION October 19, 2017 Hillsborough Town Office Approved Minutes

Present:

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

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

Peter Mellen, Donald R. Mellen Surveyor, LLC.

Chair Yeaton called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:05 pm. John Segedy was appointed to vote in place of a vacancy.

VISITOR BUSINESS

 Peter Mellen, Donald R. Mellen Surveyor, LLC – Widow Murdough Lot (M 2, L 8). Peter Mellen updated the Commission on the status of the work he had done on the property and boundaries. He also showed the Commission a plan showing the questionable boundaries. Peter and the Commission discussed alternative options for dealing with the boundary issue. Peter offered to meet with an attorney he knows with experience in such matters. After discussion the Commission decided to have Peter do so. If said meeting is scheduled on Friday 10/20 John Segedy will attend, and if it is scheduled for another day Chair Yeaton will attend if possible. The Commission and Peter discussed billing. They agree that there will still be second half of base amount due on completion of project in addition to initial payment and additional payments already made. The consensus of the HCC is to complete the project before the end of the year due to money having been encumbered. Peter Mellen left the meeting at 7:55.

MINUTES

1. October 5, 2017

Terry Yeaton offered a grammatical correction.

Terry Yeaton moved: *To approve the minutes of October 5, 2017 as amended.* Linda White seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Gleason Falls Ceremony John Segedy reported article will be in the paper on Friday.
- 2. Shaws Conservation Property Tabled until next year.
- **3.** Conservation Land Survey Linda White reported that she had continued research on this project and had begun to incorporate the information into the monitoring log.
- 4. Fall Easement Monitoring Richard Head and Terry Yeaton will conduct monitoring walks on October 22.
- 5. Emerald Ash Borer Linda White reported she had spoken to Inga at Fox Forest and they determined that another presentation (after a recent one in Washington) probably wouldn't receive sufficient attendance to justify it. Linda will still work on disseminating information through other venues.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Loon Nesting Platforms

Terry Yeaton suggested that in light of recent discussion of Loon sightings on Franklin Pierce Lake, that the Commission might want to consider putting out nesting platforms. John Segedy shared information about the Girl Scouts having donated some platforms to the Loon Preservation Committee (LPC) about fifteen years ago. Terry Yeaton suggested that if this were to be pursued the first step would be to talk to the LPC. It was also suggested to discuss issue with the Franklin Pierce Lake Association.

2. Franklin Pierce Variance

John Segedy reported that a hearing was being held on Monday October 23 regarding a requested Variance on the shore of the lake. He provided a copy of the application.

John Segedy recused himself from discussion of this matter.

The Commission reviewed the application. After a brief discussion no action was proposed on behalf of the Commission.

John Segedy un-recused himself.

ADJOURNMENT

John Segedy moved: *To adjourn*. Linda White seconded. Motion passed 3-0 at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy Recording Secretary Approved November 2, 2017