HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
October 18, 2018
Hillsborough Town Office
Unapproved Minutes

Present:
Commissioners: Richard Head, Chair; Linda White, Vice Chair; Roger Shamel, Russ Galpin.

John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

Bill Collins; Terry Yeaton; Jon Daley.

Chair Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm. John Segedy was appointed to vote in place of a vacancy.

VISITOR BUSINESS
1. **Bill Collins** – Mr. Collins asked what position the HCC is taking on the ATV proposal. Richard Head explained the Commission is currently doing research to provide information to the town.

MINUTES
1. **October 4, 2018**
   A couple of changes were suggested.
Roger Shamel moved: *To approve the minutes of October 4, 2018 as amended.*
Linda White seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE
1. **UNH Cooperative Extension** –
   Misaddressed correspondence for Hopkinton Conservation Commission. John Segedy will forward it.
2. **NH Association of Conservation Commissions** – 2019 Bill.
3. **Intent to Cut** – Bog Rd. (M 6, L 30).
4. **NHPDIP (NH Public Deposit Investment Pool) -** Conservation Fund Account Statement (Balance $106,138.62).
5. **Budget Sheets** – Consensus was to place on the agenda of November meetings. It was noted that the balance of 2017's encumbered funds was $441.25.

OLD BUSINESS
1. **Easement and Property Monitoring / Reminder -**
   Reminder for those Commissioners walking the Olivia Smith Easement on October 20th at 9:00 to meet at Hillsborough Center.
   Russ Galpin reported that he, along with Roger Shamel & Terry Yeaton, had walked the Eversource and Partners Farm Easement's on October 13th. No activities or violations were noted. Linda White will add the visits to the monitoring log.

2. **ATV Trails –** Linda White reported that she had let some of the interested parties know of the Selectboard's postponement of the Public Hearing.

Roger Shamel read RSA 215-A:15 to the Commission. He stressed that it provides that any political subdivision that adopts ordinances regulating and/or allowing ATV's on roads was responsible for enforcing those regulations and that the State Fish & Game Officers would not be doing so.

Bill Collins reported that Ingeborg Seaboyer had told him that ATV's were not allowed in Fox Forest.

A summary of research was provided by Linda White.

Roger Shamel provided some pictures he had taken of some of the proposed trail / roads including rutting, slopes and adjacent streams.

Bill Collins said he had spoken with some residents of Concord End Road regarding ATV & Jeep use of the road. They had found an ATV axle left on the road.

Richard Head reported he had executed a contract with Rick Van de Poll (Ecosystem Management Consultants). After discussion it was decided by consensus to continue the contracted work in spite of the hearings postponement.

Richard Head reported that a Legislative Services Request (LSR) has been filed for the upcoming legislative session that would prohibit OHRV's on Class V & VI roads.

Bill Collins asked if the HCC would be taking a position. Because no vote has been requested or taken, the HCC has taken no position to date on the most recent proposal. Richard Head said that he wanted the HCC to investigate and provide factual information.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **November Meeting**
John Segedy reported that Laura Buono would be attending the next meeting. He had asked her to provide an update from the Code Enforcer regarding House Rock and the Lake Lot.

Richard Head said he would not be able to attend the next meeting.

2. Richard Head reported that a rewriting of wetland rules is in progress and provided a handout from a DES presentation about the rules changes. John Segedy asked if there were concerns for the HCC? Richard suggested discussing it at the second November meeting

ADJOURNMENT
John Segedy moved: *To adjourn.*
Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 5-0 at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary