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Conservation Commission Minutes
Monday, February 23, 2015

Approved: March 9, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair Leah Basbanes
Members present: Jeff Haight, Bill Moeller, Juan Amodei, Judy Larter and Alan Chaney
Members absent: Marilyn Pike
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

Safe Pathways Committee Update – John Callahan

John Callahan and Diana Dalida from the Safe Pathways Committee attended the meeting to update the Commission on the results of the study done by Stamski and McNary for a safe pathway from High St. to Highland Ave. The proposed 4 foot wide sidewalk will be located on the north side of the road, in the town's right of way. No jurisdictional wetlands will be involved. Alan made a motion that the Conservation Commission lends its support to this project. Juan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed with Judy abstaining from the vote.

Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2015

Juan made a motion to approve, as submitted, the meeting minutes of the January 12th meeting. Alan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Review and/or Sign Bills and Payroll

Alan made a motion to sign the Secretary's payroll. Judy 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

11 Brittany Lane – Dead Tree Possibly on Conservation Property

A resident at 11 Brittany Lane called the office regarding a dead tree that she fears may come down on her house or car. She indicated that she believes the tree is on Conservation property. Alan went out to the property. He reported that the pine tree is dead and may possibly hit the house; however, the tree is actually on private property and not the responsibility of the Conservation Commission. The homeowner may have mistakenly thought the drainage easement is town owned.

Filing of Charitable Exemption for Nashua NH Parcel

The Secretary presented the charitable exemption forms to be signed for the sliver of property that the Commission owns in Nashua NH near the Stone Arch Bridge on High Street. These forms must be filled out and sent certified mail every year to the



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Assessor's Department at the Nashua City Hall.

Tully APR Update

Alan reported that the Tully Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) has the backing of the Community Preservation Committee, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and Board of Selectmen. Alan will meet with the Finance Committee to seek their support. The article will be in the Annual Town Meeting warrant this spring.

Miller Property Appraisal Update

Alan reported that appraiser Ellen Anderson will be conducting the appraisal for the Miller property at the corner of Forest Street and Main Street. He will be meeting with Ms. Anderson on Thursday to view the property. The appraisal should be completed in March. The Commission will be applying for a self-help grant from the state.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

386 Main Street – Veterinarian Office - Tree

Alan brought up that in the spring we need to remove the dead sugar maple tree on Conservation property that is located behind 386 Main Street. Alan will speak with George McGovern to see if would be willing to help with the project. The Secretary will remind Alan in April or May.

Secretary's Hours

The Secretary told members that she would like to make changes to her office hours. The most significant change is on Monday's where her hours will be 11:00am straight through to her 7:30pm meeting.

Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Jeff 2nd the motion - Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, March 9, 2015, 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann
Secretary
Dunstable Conservation Commission