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Conservation Commission Minutes
Monday, May 22, 2017

Approved: June 12, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Jeff Haight
Members present: Juan Amodei, Alan Chaney, Bill Moeller and Leah Basbanes
Members absent: Judy Larter and Marilyn Pike
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2017

Juan made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9th meeting with a correction. Leah 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Bills/Payroll

A bill for mileage/parking and the Administrative Assistant's payroll were presented. Bill made a motion to sign both. Juan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed with Leah abstaining from the vote.

Forest Street – Ross Associates Site Visit

Leah, Bill, Alan and Jeff met Neil Gorman and his wetland specialist from Ross Associates at the site. Mr. Gorman had previously submitted a Notice of Intent omitting a ditch on the plans. The Commission made their determination based on the plan submitted. Since the writing of the Order of Conditions, members found that a plan submitted to the Planning Board showed a ditch. While on site it was confirmed that the ditch does in fact connect to the wetland on the property which makes it jurisdictional. Leah said that Mr. Gorman will be submitting a new plan showing the wetland and replication area. The Commission will vote to correct the Order of Conditions once the new plan has been provided.

Sky Meadow Earthwork

The Administrative Assistant called Sky Meadow to inquire about earthwork going on at the golf course. No return call was made.

265 Westford Street – Ditch

Alan went out to 265 Westford Street at the request of the Highway Department to assess the land in the front of the house. The resident said that water flows from the front of his house into his basement. He would like to contour the land to direct water away from the house. After walking the property with the owner, Alan told the owner that the area is not a wetland; therefore the Commission has no jurisdiction.

Westford Street Grant

The CR has been sent to the state CR Reviewer.
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Kendall Cranberry Bog Grant

The Administrative Assistant told members that Leah had attended the LAND Grant workshop in Boston. The application is nearly complete and will be submitted before the deadline.

Open Space and Recreation Plan

The plan is due to expire in December of this year. Cheryl will ask the Town Administrator for a copy of the Master Plan survey results to use for the plan.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

Wildlife Crossing Signs

The Administrative Assistant told members that she has eight signs to post at four locations. Jeff will go by the sites on Tuesday to see what is needed for the Commission to hang them.

Chairman/Vice Chair

Leah made a motion to have Jeff Haight remain as Chairman of the Conservation Commission for the next fiscal year. Juan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. Leah then made a motion that Alan Chaney remain as Vice Chairman for the upcoming fiscal year. Bill 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Community Preservation Committee Conservation Member

This will be placed on the next agenda.

Conservation Commission Members

Bill Moeller and Judy Larter will be leaving the Commission in June. Members will start looking for residents interested in serving the town.

Bill made a motion to close the meeting at 7:02pm. Leah 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, June 12, 2017, 6:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann
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Dunstable Conservation Commission