

October 02, 2014

Present: Alan Strickland, Shirley Green, Dwight Marchetti, Steve Schneider, Gary Gaudette, Sue Hagerman

Call meeting to order: 7:03

Review of May minutes: last paragraph “rain can affect levels” add “and also polluted runoff and erosion.” Also add that the Shoreland Homeowner’s Guide to Storm water Management went out. Motion to accept minutes as amended made by Dwight; seconded; approved

Review of August minutes: change “state” land to “town” land under Kurt Gotthardt; update on water quality study for Crystal lake pg 2, DES said that we are unique because over past 10 – 15 years our water quality has been improving.

Motion to accept minutes as amended made by Dwight; seconded; approved

Review of September minutes:

No need to accept minutes as no quorum, hence no major decisions; can be posted

November 1, 2014: NH Association of Conservation Commissions

Canaan Conservation Meeting: September 8th Alan Strickland attended the Canaan Conservation Commission meeting to inform them what is happening with the Enfield Reservoir and to ask for their support and partnership for the project. The Commission voted unanimously to support the Enfield Conservation Commission in any way that they can.

Harris Brook Recreation Area update: Shirley Green, Garry Gaudette, Dwight Marchetti, and Alan Strickland attended the selectmen’s meeting on 9/15/14 to ask for permission to establishing this property for public use. Discussion: Dwight mentioned the ordinance that prohibits any activity, which would need to be changed. The next meeting is Monday, October 6th. Steve clarified that it is not necessarily an ordinance. Dwight asked if an ordinance can be enacted and enforced if they don’t have jurisdiction (Canaan). Discussion followed re: jurisdiction of town ordinances. Clarification that it is a regulation for use of the property (no drinking, no boating, etc...). Can Canaan enforce a town ordinance from another jurisdiction? There would need to be a mutual aid call; legal issue. A homeowner who owns the side of the road has placed numerous signs up on his property, but facing the road. The parking lot will be off the road he owns, and on which we have a right-of-way. There will be a path around the closed gate. Enfield will put notices on boats to have owners remove them. Discussion re: parking area, signs, and maintenance. We need to decide which parking area will be developed. Money needs to be added to budget for appropriate signage (\$350 - \$500). Private contractor, or town, to do parking lot work? Dwight suggests that we go with the second lot. Question re: manner of informing property owners (Canaan/Enfield joint conservation meeting?). Suggestion made for homeowners to be invited to the Canaan meeting first, possibly in November. We should attend the October meeting to set this up for the November meeting (Alan will request a joint meeting where Canaan invites the landowners). Alan suggests that the parking lot be staked (Jim Tayler) so that the property owners can see what it will look like.

Budget: discussion re line items, balances, budget for signage, etc...

Old Business:

Strickland met with Steve Schneider on Thursday, 9/25/14 to finalize Conservation Moose Plate grant. 9/26/14 the grant is in the mail. Grant required ten copies of application, CD, and other backup documents.

Snowmobile trail: No change as per Gary. Issue was use of trail and cutting down of trees without permission. Town decision re allowing or not allowing snow mobiles; police handled cutting issue. Alan sees the issue now as a noise concern for neighbors.

Steve discussed meeting with Plan NH re: planned charrette about the old motel property and frog pond owned by DOT; group is helping to develop a waterfront park. Meeting went very well. Someone from ECC should participate in Charrette to have input. Options for road configuration were discussed. Dwight suggested looking at the Glen Road park for an example.

Motion to Adjourn; Seconded; Meeting Adjourned at 8:28