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BOARD: Conservation Commission
TOPIC: Monthly Meeting
MEETING DATE: September 14, 2016
MEETING PLACE: Groveland Town Hall Meeting Room
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Dempsey, H. Meninger, J. Gebauer, F. O'Connor, T. Grim
MEMBERS ABSENT: T. Schaefer
GUESTS: none
RECORDER: J. Hauss

(Action Taken:)

Dempsey motioned to open the meeting on September 14, 2016 at 7:10 p.m. Meninger seconds the vote. **(Voted: 5-0).**

Meninger motions to approve minutes from June 15, 2016 with no changes. Gebauer seconds the motion. **(Voted: 4-0-1).** Grim abstains.

Meninger motions to approve minutes from July 23, 2016 with the correction to No. 5 to change to two finalists. Gebauer seconds the motion. **(Voted: 4-0-1).** Grim abstains.

Cannon Hill Extension- Dempsey will do a site walk on Tuesday, September 20 at 9 AM on the property to look at the in ground pool and the work that was completed.

There will be a site visit at Valley Tree on Saturday, October 1 at 8:30 at 938 Salem St. We will meet in front of the Valley Tree sign.

Update on Mill Street Extension – – Emergency repairs to the road were needed because the road was collapsing due to a culvert underneath it. According to the Bob Arakalian, the road was repaired. The bank is in better shape now that rip rap was put into place. In 2012 we asked for an NOI for work to be done. Paperwork was issued and NOI was completed and forwarded to the Groveland Highway Dept. and DEP. . DEP issued an SOC and in 2014 denied our work request for repair to the two flow control devices due to the complaints of a neighbor. We now have a watershed report that DEP ordered GHJD to have completed and we will ask GHS to resubmit the plan from 2012.

A full report of the watershed at Johnson's Creek will be ready next month. Silk sock was washed into the pond. A flow control needs to be put in to control the water going out to the pond. The pond needs to be dredged. How will the pond be affected by dredging? We will need to file a NOI, approve it and find a company to do the work. We can only do this with CPA money. Also what can we do to mediate the neighbor's concerns?

Gebauer would like to bring ^{hear what} in the issues that the residents may have (especially Mr. Clausnitezier). The point is to dredge it and it will turn back into a pond.

Lower Center Street- We need to decide the future of Lower Center Street. Dempsey said we can vote to take no action or we can decide to restore some things. For input we don't want to give the perception that it will be plus or minus if it doesn't get recorded. To have it on public record is important. The neighbors will be notified of the meeting in October for the public hearing.

Lower Center Street- We need to decide the future of Lower Center Street. Dempsey said we can vote to take no action or we can decide to restore anything we want. We don't want to give the perception that it will be plus or minus if it doesn't get recorded. To have it on public record is important. The neighbors will be notified of the meeting in October.

Enforcement Issues

October 31 is deadline and seasonal restrictions begin November 1. We should compile a list of open files.

(Actions Taken)

Authorization of the Chair to sign for the Commission

Grim motioned to authorize the Chair of the Groveland Conservation Commission to act as department head for conservation & warrants, deposits, postings and let him or her issue simple permits for the commission. This authorization will expire at each time a new chair is elected and must then be renewed by a vote of the commission. Gebauer seconds the motion. **(Voted: 5-0).**

Terms and Appointments of the Chair and Vice Chair

Grim motioned the chairman to be elected annually commencing July 1. A vice chair should be established with the same term to act for the chair when he or she is not available to run the meetings or conduct site visits. Gebauer seconds the motion. **(Voted: 5-0).**

Grim motioned to annually appoint a new chair at the Conservation Commission from January 1 to July 1 or after the first hearing after 1 July of the new fiscal year and to establish a vice chair to serve concurrently. Gebauer seconds the motion. **(Voted: 5-0).**

Grim motioned to appoint Dempsey be the Chairman of the Conservation Commission for 2016-2017 term. Meninger seconds the vote. **(Voted: 5-0).**

Dempsey motioned to appoint Meninger to be vice chairwomen of the Conservation Commission for the 2016-2017 term. Gebauer seconds the motion. (Voted: 5-0).

Veasey Park Agents

Dempsey would like to re-appoint Claire Walsh, Pam Bevalaqua and Christine Dempsey as our agents to perform day-to-day management for Veasey Park as the Veasey Management Committee. Grim seconds the motion. (Voted: 5-0).

Interview for new Conservation Agent

Dempsey said he would like the commission to interview the 2 finalists on September 26 at 7 p.m. in the conservation office.

Property Donation- 19 Balch Avenue

Gebauer moved to accept a land donation at 19 Balch Ave. with the limitations of state tax affidavit and an affidavit that there are no environmental concerns.

Homestead Lane

Grim would like for Steven Dehullo to remove some of the erosion controls. Dempsey will contact Dena Dehullo for this.

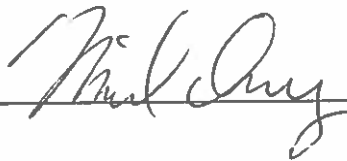
929-931 Salem St

Dempsey would like the Planning Board to come to the Conservation Commission meeting on October 12 to discuss the Groveland Getty or for some members to attend the PB meeting on Oct 25.

(Action Taken:)

Grim moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:38p.m. Gebauer seconds the motion. (Voted: 5-0)

Signed: _____



Date: _____

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