Jaffrey Conservation Commission

Minutes

Meeting Held at Town Hall March 23, 2014

Present: Carolyn Garretson, Chairman, Nancy Beiter, Elizabeth Webster, Recorders, Nora Barton Bryant, Michael George, Bill Graf, Kevin and Barbara Alix, by SKYPE, Don MacIsaac, Select Board Representative

Guests: Ken Geraghty, Christian Boysen

Regrets: Patricia Weiner, Alternate, Absent: Karen Morris

I. The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

II. The minutes of the meeting held January 22, 2014, were approved.

III. Christian Boysen presented photos and drawings relevant to the widening of the entrance and driveway of the Grand View property. Per DOT requirements, the entrance for a subdivision must be 36' wide to accommodate turns in both directions for exiting vehicles, and paved with a non-porous, impermeable surface, such as asphalt or oil and stone. The new driveway would necessitate the replacement and extension of existing culverts leading to a ditch, which is a Tier 1 Stream. Mr. Boysen requested a vote and a letter of support from the ConComm, to expedite the process with DES. The ConComm approved a motion to support the proposal as presented, but with the option to review the plans as they move forward. A letter to this effect will be sent to the DES.

IV. The ConComm's grant application for Student Conservation Association (SCA) to do a trail construction and repair project this coming summer in Children's Woods (CW) has been submitted.

V. CG made a site visit to 142 Dublin Rd. regarding a proposed pond site. The area had already been cut and excavated prior to her visit. ConComm will follow up with Rob Deschenes.

VI. NB agreed to visit Children's Woods (CW) along with Don MacIsaac, Bill Graf, Carolyn Garretson and Steve Roberge of UNH Extension Service to assess trees for potential danger to visitors and to neighboring property. Letters will be sent to neighboring houses, reminding residents that motorized vehicles are not permitted on the property. Also, MG agreed to have signs printed to that effect for posting both at CW and at the Cheshire Pond Conservation Area (CPCA)

VII. The warrant submitted by the ConComm to Town Meeting to ask the Town to appropriate \$5,000 to be deposited into the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund established in 2008 under the provisions of RSA 35:1 was approved by the Town Meeting

VII. A motion to adjourn was approved at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting is set for April 23, 2014 at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.