Jaffrey Conservation Commission Minutes Draft

June 25, 2014

Present: Carolyn D. Garretson, Chair, Kevin Alix, Nora Barton Bryant, Michael George, Elizabeth Webster, Patricia Weiner, alternate

Tom Rothermel, Select Board Representative

Absent: Nancy Beiter, William Graf, alternate, Karen Morris, alternate

The meeting was called to order at 7PM. PW was appointed scribe. CG introduced guests Pamela Armstrong and Francis McBride.

The minutes of May 28, 2014 were approved.

I. Financial review: \$500 remains from the Town line. The balance of account at this time is \$76,590.90.

II. Ongoing items:

A. The grant for the Student Conservation Association trail work in Children's Woods will be presented to the Select Board for acceptance at the Select Board meeting on July 14. David will present. CG will administer the grant. An 80/20 matching contribution is required for the grant. A motion was submitted and passed to pay \$2220 from Con Com funds to fulfill this requirement. The first ten days of the "hitch" will be for Con Com in Children's Woods and the second ten days work will be for SPNHF on Mt. Monadnock.

B. A motion was submitted and passed to pay S. Wright to remove approximately twenty trees in Children's Woods, some of which are threatening the property of C. Moore. The cost is \$2550. The Con Com is responsible for the maintenance of Children's Woods.

C. The Jaffrey-Rindge school board has approved the continuation of district wide recycling during the summer. Harry Young obtained certificates of recognition from Concord signed by the Governor for each member of the student conservation committee in recognition of their work on this project.

D. The Raptor educational program scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2014, 7PM at the Woman's Club - Kevin Walls from the NH Audobon Club

will bring his traveling bird show. He brings two or three live birds of prey. Audobon will supply its logo and pictures for advertising purposes. Total Costs for the presentation, rental of the room, advertising, etc.....will amount to approximately \$500. A motion was made and passed to approve the outlay of up to \$500 for the program.

E. MG will try to work the necessary program to post Con Com minutes to the Jaffrey Town website.

F. MG Submitted the completed brochure re: Children's Woods and Carey Park. Trail information, history and maps are included in the brochure.

G. CG will ask NB to write an official Con Com letter to the residents on Cheshire Pond prohibiting motorized vehicles in the CPCA area. This will include the information that Con Com is unable to rebuild the trails if motorized vehicles continue to destroy them.

H. MG will post metal signs he had made stating "No Motorized Vehicles" in the CPCA area.

I. Riverfest - PW will contact TEAM Jaffrey regarding Con Com's wish to take part in Riverfest again this year. A motion was made and approved for CG to buy another canopy if needed for this project.

J. There was no mail to review.

III. New Business

A. Grey Goose monitoring: MG will contact the easement owner to arrange this year's monitoring visit.

B. Con Com will again pay for a student to attend the Ma. Audobon Camp this summer. This year's recipient of the scholarship will be Oliver Tulio. All necessary motions for the awarding of the scholarship were passed .

C. TR informed us that a 74 acre and a 10 acre lot were donated to SPNHF by the Duncan estate. Also, the director of SPNHF will be lecturing at the Amos Fortune Lecture Series on August 8.

D. Kevin Alix advised the Con Com that he and Barbara will be moving out of state August 1. Kevin was thanked for his and Barbara's work and huge help. They will be missed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM. The next meeting will be held 7/23/2014, 7PM at the Town offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Weiner