

**North Hampton Conservation Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 12, 2012**

**Administrative**

**Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM. Present were Chris Ganotis (Chair), Lee Brooks (Vice Chair), Kathy Grant, Anita Pounder, Peter Robie, Rick Stoklosa, Philip Thayer, Alternate Lisa Wilson and Phil Wilson, Select Board Representative. Members of the public included Tom Argue, David Farrell, David Peters, Michael Saal, Tamera Saal, and Dick Wollmar, Board Member of Southeast NH Land Trust.

The Chair introduced two new Commission members: Kathy Grant and Peter Robie.

**Consideration of Minutes**

*After review of the May 8, 2012 minutes with two corrections (correction on the spelling of Dick Wollmar's name and title), a motion was made by Lisa Wilson, duly seconded by Lee Brooks, to accept the minutes as amended.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote, with Kathy Grant and Peter Robie abstaining.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Chair presented the report. *After review of the report, a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Philip Thayer, to approve the report.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Chair then read the Preamble of the Code of Ethics for North Hampton.

**Old Business**

Trail Maintenance Projects

Behind Outlet Mall - now officially called Lafayette Crossing – nothing to report.  
Behind Golf Course Trails – now officially called Luff/Tagupa – nothing to report  
Corbett Trails – Lee Brooks reported that he has made some maps and placed green plexiglass markers on the green trail on the corner of Dr. Corbett's private property so that the trail is now walkable without entering private property. A sign needs to be put up labeled "Entrance". The Chair and Lee recently measured the distance of the trail to the Robie conservation easement. The trail needs to be described for the Robie Easement deed amendment to define the new access route. A couple of loop trails were considered and need to be laid out to the Jenkins conservation easement parcel.

Trail Use Communications: Newsletter, Brochure, Website

Lisa Wilson presented a newsletter format for the conservation website with lands in North Hampton – large trail maps with information on trails and descriptions for 650 acres with photos and another large map, showing access locations.

The Chair is preparing a Press Release to update readers on the North Hampton For-Ever parcels and the Sub-Committee's accomplishments with the acquisition of parcels valued at \$7.2 million.

#### Town Forest Signs and Trail Clearing

An extra trail has been completed and flowers in a flower bed have been planted around the monument. The Chair contacted John Hubbard, Public Works Director, who will arrange to chip the brush piles and spread wood chips on the trails

Budget Expenditures through Fiscal 2012 - The Chair reported that the balance is now \$27.00.

#### **New Business**

Little River Update – The primary goal will be to conduct the Microbe Source testing needed to determine animal bacteria vs. human bacteria. This will be coordinated with Dennis Cote, North Hampton Fire Chief.

#### Zoning Board Correspondence: 9 Hampshire Rd. Map 7, Lot 136

Correspondence from the Rockingham County Conservation District indicated that due to the lack of information in the application regarding quantities of increased surface water run off, proposed mitigation of runoff and impact on the Little River watershed, additional information data is needed to make a definitive evaluation of the application regarding surface water impacts. The case has been continued by the ZBA.

Michael Saal of 7 Hampshire Rd asked whether the Zoning Board could continue the case without the Conservation Commission's recommendation. The answer was yes.

Tom Argue of 6 Kimberly Drive asked how soil information is reported in the application. The answer was that the proposed plan had general soils information.

#### Planning Board Correspondence: Update regarding Subdivision Plan, Workforce Housing on Post Road (Map 18, Lot 38)

The Commission submitted recommendations to the Planning Board following the Commission's discussions in its May meeting. Key concerns were: potential impact on the ground water aquifer; increased quantities of surface water runoff; mitigation measures for surface water runoff and impact on the Winnicut River watershed. The Planning Board is deliberating on these concerns in its plan review. Preliminary plans were submitted for a workforce housing project including 53 lots and a plan for a 19 lot traditional sub-division. The applicant has requested a continuance, as there are safety and impact issues that need to be addressed. The formal application review will begin in August and will include a review by wetland scientists. The Planning Board will then decide whether to accept jurisdiction for the application.

### **Non-Public Session**

Pursuant to RSA 91A: 3 II (d)

*A motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Philip Thayer, to enter into Non-Public Session for discussion on the purchase of property for conservation pursuant to the RSA.* A unanimous Roll Call vote followed to convene a Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91A: 3 II (d).

The Chair invited Dick Wollmar, Board Member of Southeast NH Land Trust to make a presentation regarding the proposed parcels. Following the presentation and further discussion, *a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Peter Robie, to adjourn from the Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91A: 3 II (d).* The motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.

*A motion was made by Philip Thayer, duly seconded by Lee Brooks, to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session, pursuant to RSA 91A : 3 II (d). The motion by Roll Call vote was passed unanimously,* with the action taken to continue to pursue land acquisition.

### **Other Correspondence and Other Administrative**

The Chair reported that a 63 Atlantic Ave wetlands application has gone to the DES. The Planning Board is reviewing the case.

### **Select Board Recommendations: Appointments**

The Chair reported on the Select Board's appointments on the Conservation Commission:

Chris Ganotis was reappointed for a 3 year term as Chair

Brian Chevalier was appointed as an Alternate

Peter Robie was appointed a 3 year term

Kathy Grant was appointed for the remaining 1 year of Brian Chevalier's term.

Lisa Wilson's term as an Alternate is pending, since with one Select Board Member not being present and Select Board member Wilson recusing himself from the vote, there was no quorum for the vote.

There being no further business to discuss, *a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Philip Thayer, to adjourn the meeting.* The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:04PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Moore

Recording Secretary