

Winnicot Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2014

APPROVED

Subject to Revision & Approval by the Conservation Commission

Administrative

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM. Present were Chris Ganotis (Chair), Lee Brooks (Vice Chair), Kathy Grant, Peter Robie and Lisa Wilson, Alternate.

Consideration of Minutes

After review of the February 11, 2014 minutes with one amendment, ***a motion was made by Kathy Grant, duly seconded by Lee Brooks, to accept the minutes as amended.*** The motion carried with a unanimous vote. The Special Meeting minutes from March 4, 2014 were tabled until next month's meeting.

Old Business

Boy Scout Eagle Project Updates ó no update to report at this time

Trail Use Communications

Lisa Wilson reported she has one correction to make to the maps. An email was sent out to members today to review.

Governor Dale Farm

The review of the appraisal is still pending on this property, but needs to be finalized in April.

Signs for Conservation Parcels

The Fogg sign has been refinished with a marine clear coat.

New Business

The Chair thanked Commission members for their teamwork in 2013 and expressed his appreciation for the dedication honor in the Town Report.

Proposal for Water Quality Testing of the Winnicut River

After discussion regarding a proposal from FB Environmental for water quality testing from four sampling locations at South Road, Walnut Ave, Lovering Rd and Winnicut Rd, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Peter Robie, to authorize this project for baseline Winnicut River water quality testing, expending \$4,959 from the Capital Reserve #8 Fund.*** The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Saving Places Conference

Commission members have been invited to a conference being held on in Laconia, NH on April 5, 2014 for a fee of \$60.00. After some discussion, ***a motion was made by Peter Robie, duly seconded by Lee Brooks, to approve the Commission's payment of the registration fee for Commission Members attending this conference.*** The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Non-Public Session

A motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to convene a Non-Public Session, pursuant to RSA 91A: 3 II (d) to consider acquisition of conservation land. The motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. The Commission convened the non-public session and after brief discussions, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Kathy Grant, to adjourn the Non-Public session, with no action items taken.*** A Roll Call vote was taken again with unanimous vote to conclude the Non-public session, after which it was adjourned. Subsequently, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Peter Robie, to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session.*** Both motions carried with a unanimous vote.

Other Correspondence

There was discussion regarding payment of property taxes for the two Conservation parcels in Hampton formerly owned by Roger Hammond. The Chair will pursue possible abatement of the taxes.

In addition, the Chair described a letter from Lauren Kras of The Society for the Protection of NH Forests, regarding public access to the Bois wildlife preserve for potential trails.

There being no further business to discuss, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Peter Robie,*** to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Moore
Recording Secretary

“These minutes are prepared by the Recording Secretary within five (5) business days as required by NH RSA 91A:2,11. They will not be finalized until approved by majority vote of the Conservation Commission”.