

Sam Demeritt called the workshop meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Other members in attendance were Cheryl Smith, Raelene Shippee-Rice, Susan Mooney, Johan Kerkhove, Alternate and Terry Bonser, Alternate. Kerkhove was seated for Noel Carlson and Bonser was seated for Debra Kimball.

P2 Conservation Easement Project: Demeritt received a communication from SouthEast Land Trust (SELT) re: the P2 conservation easement project. The owners will be applying for NRCS grants for the wetlands and farmlands that will be protected. Additionally there will be an application for a NH Moose Plate Grant and the Commission was asked to apply for this grant as the sponsoring municipality. The owners at this time expect to gift 25% of the loss in property value due to the conservation easement, and 25% will be coming from other funding sources, at this time estimated to be \$113,000 including administration costs of the CE deed preparation and monitoring fund.

Because this project is still confidential at 7:08, it was moved to enter Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 (j) by Mooney. The motion was seconded by Shippee-Rice, and all six (6) votes were in favor.

At 7:15, it was moved to emerge from Non-Public Session by Shippee-Rice; seconded by Smith and all six (6) votes were in favor.

It was moved by Mooney and seconded by Smith to seal the minutes of the Non-Public session per RSA 91-A:3 III. This motion requires a 2/3-majority vote. All six (6) votes were in favor.

Nottingham Family Day: There was a brief discussion of the details of the September 20th, Nottingham Day. Mooney and Kerkhove will work the whole day; April Bacon will assist from 10:00 to 2:00. There will be information on invasive species, habitat types found in NH from Cooperative Extension, conservation easements, including details about the new 100 + acre Fernald easement along Deerfield Road, the Wildlife Log Book, Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, and a couple of the new town maps recently prepared by Strafford County Conservation District will be displayed. Several other members will help with the set up and then at break down.

P1 Fernald Conservation Easement Project: Demeritt emailed the preliminary appraisal from Marsha Beecy, USA Appraiser, Manchester, to the Town Administrator (TA). The easement is valued at between \$550,000 and \$560,000. It is tentatively scheduled for Demeritt, Mooney, Tom Howe of the Forest Society, and Chris Sterndale, TA, to meet on Friday morning, October 3 on this matter.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): At the last meeting with the Board of Selectmen (BOS), the Commission was asked to draw up a document that would serve as a written contract between owners and/or their agents entering into

discussions re: conservation easement projects with the Commission. Members reviewed the MOU draft that Kristen Lamb had crafted. The document was edited and then accepted as edited by a motion from Mooney that was seconded by Shippee-Rice. All six (6) votes were in favor. The document will be forwarded to the BOS and the TA.

Town Parcels for Sale (?): The Commission has received from the TA a list of about 20 parcels of property in the town that are town owned. The Commission members went through the list property by property to determine if any had conservation value for the town and should not be sold to private parties. It was determined that four of these parcels were of significance for either (a) protecting wetlands and other resources, (b) abutting already protected lands, (c) and/or were Greenway connections to open space large blocks that should be protected for the future, as well as (d) offering a recreational green space for a neighborhood. The parcels are identified as Map 69, Lot 5, 45 acres (backland) Reasons (a), (b); Map 10 Lot 2B, 12.2 acres, Reasons (c), (d); Map 34, Lot 1, 46 acres, backland, Reasons (a), (b); Map 12, Lot 5, 13 acres, backland, Reasons (a), (b).

Commission By-Laws and Four Generals' Greenway: It was decided in the interest of time to reschedule an additional workshop meeting this month to continue working on these two important items. The next workshop meeting will be held on October 7, 2014 at 6:60 pm. Smith will bring transparencies and scotch tape.

It was moved by Mooney and seconded by Bonser to adjourn. All votes were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Mooney, Secretary

These minutes were accepted as amended at the meeting held on November 10, 2014.