

Town of Sandown, NH

Conservation Commission Minutes August 16, 2012

Date: August 16, 2012
Place: Sandown Town Hall
Members Present: Paul Carey – Chair, Brian Butler, Scott Burt, Mark Traeger, Samantha Borbone
Selectmen Liaison: Mr. Hans Nicolaisen: Absent
Environmental Consultant: Mr. Gerry Miller, Certified Wetlands Scientist: Present
Annual Fishing Derby Chair: Mrs. Heidi Chaput: Absent

Opening: Mr. Carey opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Review of 7/26/12 Minutes

MOTION: Mr. Burt made a motion to accept the 7/26/12 minutes as written. Ms. Borbone seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. Mr. Butler and Ms. Borbone abstained. The motion passed.

Review of Budget

Mr. Carey noted the Commission needed to submit the budget to the Selectman's office by August 20th.

Members reviewed the budget line-by-line. *Advertisements:* Members agreed to request \$180, which would be two public hearings a year.

Conferences: The current budget is at \$75. Members agreed to request \$150 since they are hoping to gain two new members who may need to attend educational conferences.

Dues: Members agreed to request \$400, which would cover the NHACC and ERLAC dues for the year.

Environmental Consultant: The current budget is \$3,000. Members agreed to request \$3,600, which would be two meetings a month for Mr. Miller.

Office Supplies: The current budget is \$100, members agreed to keep that number the same.

Recording Secretary: The current budget is \$3,088.66. Members agreed to request the same amount.

Education and Awareness: The current budget is \$1,800. Members reviewed the items that would go into this line item: \$100 for road side clean-up, \$100 for Earth Day, \$1,005 for the Fishing Derby, \$650 for the Fall Festival, \$700 for the website. Members agreed to request \$2,555.

The total budget is \$10,075.66

Mr. Butler reminded members they needed to include revenue.

They were budgeted to bring in \$240 from the Fishing Derby. The Commission brought in \$219. Members agreed to submit \$220 for revenue.

The grand total for the budget is: \$9,855.66.

MOTION: Mr. Traeger made a motion to submit \$9,855.66 with the discussed breakdown. Mr. Burt seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Trail Survey – Bette Judkins Ayer Conservation Land

Mr. Traeger noted that Josh Manning could do the surveying work for \$1,000. SE Landtrust told Mr. Traeger that in order to record the deed, Mr. Manning would need to determine the centerline.

MOTION: Mr. Traeger made a motion to appropriate not to exceed \$1,200 to survey the trail on the Bette Judkins Ayer parcel. The funds are to come out of the conservation fund. Mr. Butler seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. The motion passed.

New Business

Mr. Traeger noted that the Commission received copies of permit applications. Mr. Miller reviewed them and explained the first was for the case the Commission reviewed at the last meeting for the property at 29 Brown Ave. They received a copy of the actual submittal.

The second was two Shoreland Permit notifications. It is standard procedure done by towns to notify the state of any work they are doing. Mr. Genualdo filled out the form for the work they would be doing on Holt Point Road and North Road.

Mr. Traeger noted they received bank statements. He noted there was \$294,000 in the Conservation fund after the Vokey purchase.

Old Business

Ms. Borbone asked for a follow up to the trail markers that were discussed several months earlier. Mr. Butler thought that Ms. Merrill Solomon was handling that project. Ms. Borbone will follow-up with her.

Chuck Crowe

Mr. Crowe was present at the meeting. He noted for the Commission that he was out on the Porter property and noticed there had been ATV activity throughout the property. He noted they were going around the chains that were there. Mr. Butler suggesting posting "no motorized vehicles" signs. Mr. Crowe had signs and offered to post them.

MOTION: Mr. Traeger made a motion to authorize Mr. Crowe to post the signs where he feels appropriate. Mr. Burt seconded the motion.

Discussion: Mr. Butler noted that he had aluminum nails that he could give to Mr. Crowe.

All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Non-Public Meeting

MOTION: Mr. Butler made a motion to go into a Non-Public Meeting according to RSA: 91: A: 3 II d. Mr. Burt seconded the motion. Members voted in the affirmative. The motion passed.

Members came out of the Non-Public Meeting and stated that they sealed the Non-Public Minutes.

Roll Call: Ms. Borbone, Mr. Butler, Mr. Carey, Mr. Burt, and Mr. Traeger

MOTION: Mr. Butler made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Borbone seconded the motion. All members voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed. MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Cairns