1	Sandown Conservation Commission
2	Minutes
3	September 11, 2014
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5	Date: September 11, 2014
6	Place: Sandown Town Hall
7	Members Present: Brian Butler, Pam Gaudreau, Kevin Major, Andrea Cairns
8	Members Absent: Paul Carey – Chair, Mark Traeger
9	Selectmen's Liaison: Mr. Jim Devine: Present
10	Environmental Consultant: Mr. Gerry Miller: Present
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12 13	Opening: Mr. Butler opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.
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14	Review of the 8/28/14 Minutes
15	MOTION: Mr. Devine made a motion to accept the 8/28/14 minutes as written. Ms. Gaudreau
16 17	seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. Ms. Cairns abstained. The motion passed.
18	Correspondence
19	• DES notification that Raymond Kane's, 53 Pillsbury Road, PBN was invalid
20	• Save the date for the NHACC annual conference on November 1, 2014
21	• SE Landtrust Newsletter
22	• DES notification that the Wells Village Road Culvert was approved
23	• SE Landtrust and Stratham Rivers Conservancy are merging
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25	Bill Brennan, was present to observe the meeting. He is interested in potentially becoming a
26	member.
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28 20	Discuss Potential Environmental Consultants Mr. Daving preferred Nancy Pendell. He felt she was the most prepared and had the most to effort
29 30	Mr. Devine preferred Nancy Rendell. He felt she was the most prepared and had the most to offer the town.
31	the town.
32	Ms. Gaudreau preferred Bruce Gilday, Marc Jacobs and Craig Bailey, in that order.
33	She questioned if the board should invite people back to meet the members that weren't at the
34	meeting. The board didn't feel that was necessary.
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36	Mr. Butler preferred Bruce Gilday the best and felt he was a good communicator and also liked
37	that he was a member of a conservation commission. He felt Ms. Rendell would be helpful with
38	grant applications, but she isn't a soil scientist or a surveyor. He felt Mr. Albert was more than
39	qualified, but had concerns about hiring the firm, not the individual, and paying additional fees
1 0	for his staff.
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42 43	Members agreed that Craig Bailey was a great candidate, but had concerns that he wasn't a wetland scientist.
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45	Mr. Miller noted he preferred Bruce Gilday, Marc Jacobs and Craig Bailey. He noted they are all
16	qualified candidates. He added that Mr. Gilday and Mr. Jacobs contacted him after the meeting.
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1 8	Members agreed to defer the decision to the next meeting when more members could weigh-in on
1 9	the decision.

Discuss NRCS Restoration Plan for Hersey Road

Ms. Cairns explained what NRCS was planning and noted they would like to walk the property with the commission and identify any areas that they would want restored.

Ms. Gaudreau is interested in the protection of stone structures. She is wondering if they could consider that as a resource to protect. She noted the Gage's have done extensive research in the area and would likely be willing to do the site walk as well.

Members agreed a Friday would be a good day. Ms. Cairns will follow up and schedule the walk.

Promised Land Survey Proposed Projects

Mr. Major noted Promised Land Survey didn't do a great job marking the Hersey property. Mr. Traeger would like them to mark the property better so they can take full advantage of the parcel. He feels it would be well worth their effort to have it marked.

Mr. Butler noted he has a hard time with going with that company since they still haven't marked the bounds and property lines which were agreed on some time ago.

Mr. Major noted they marked some of the corners with blue tape, so he can find the corners now; none of the corners have been marked with granite monuments.

Mr. Miller noted the bounds needed to be done, but they also needed the lot lines to be marked; he noted they would likely have to pay additional for the lot lines. He added they need to check on what the original proposal stated and what they paid for. He noted it wouldn't make sense to hire someone else to mark the boundary lines since they already paid for that.

Members agreed they should put the topic on the agenda for the next meeting and suggested that Promised Land Survey should attend to discuss the issues.

MOTION: Mr. Major made a motion to invite Promised Land Survey to the next meeting to discuss projects moving forward and discuss outstanding items. Ms. Gaudreau seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Outreach Projects

Ms. Cairns noted that Mr. Traeger was interested in doing a mailer to residents to educate them about the land use change tax and the impact that open space has vs. new development.

Ms. Gaudreau suggested putting additional information on the website. Mr. Major suggested they connect with UNH Cooperative extension to create a newsletter.

New Business

October 25th is the spooky walk. Mr. Butler was asked if the commission could cut the field for parking. They want to enlarge the parking area, so that area and the wildlife opening will need to be mowed. Mr. Butler will donate his time, but would like to be reimbursed for fuel.

MOTION: Mr. Major made a motion to reimburse Mr. Butler for fuel not to exceed \$50 to mow the field and wildlife opening for the spooky walk. Ms. Gaudreau seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. Mr. Butler abstained. The motion passed.

100 101 102 103 104 105 106	Ms. Gaudreau questioned if there were any plans to do trail maintenance noting that the Morrison Lane trails had a lot of brush and trees down that needed to be cleared. Mr. Butler noted in the past they had various organizations help out with that and suggested Ms. Gaudreau pick a date and organize it. They could include the boy scouts, cub scouts, girl scouts, geocachers and any other group willing to help. They had outreach money in their budget that they could use to provide snacks.
107 108 109	MOTION: Ms. Gaudreau made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Major seconded the motion. Members voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.
110 111 112	Respectfully Submitted, Andrea Cairns