

**Sandown Conservation Commission**

**Minutes**

**June 22, 2017**

**Date:** June 22, 2017

**Place:** Sandown Town Hall

**Members Present:** Paul Carey – *Chair*, Brian Butler – *Vice Chair*, Pam Gaudreau, Jill Winmill, Tom Sands, Katie Palladino, Terry Knuuttenen

**Members Absent:** Kevin Major, Mark Traeger

**Selectmen’s Liaison:** Mr. Jon Goldman: Absent

**Environmental Consultant:** Bruce Gilday: Present

**Review of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to approve the 6/8/17 minutes as written. Ms. Winmill seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. Ms. Palladino, Ms. Gaudreau and Mr. Knuuttenen abstained. The motion carried.

**MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to approve the 6/8/17 non-public minutes as written. Ms. Winmill seconded the motion. Members voted in favor. Ms. Palladino, Ms. Gaudreau and Mr. Knuuttenen abstained. The motion carried.

**Correspondence**

- Old Home Day application. The Board agreed they would like to participate again.
- NHDES notification that they were looking for more information from the applicant

**Review of the Conditional Use Permit Application for 31 Main Street**

The Board previously reviewed this application but held off on a recommendation to the Planning Board until they had a review letter from Mr. Gilday which he provided.

**MOTION:** Ms. Winmill made a motion to provide a favorable recommendation to the Planning Board for the property located at 31 Main Street and identified on Map 27 as Lot 104. Mr. Butler seconded the motion. The board voted in favor. The motion carried.

**Other Business**

Fran Rosenaeu from the Sandown Garden Club was present. She noted the club had concerns about the Liberty Elm tree that was near Fremont Road. The leaves on one side are curling and dying. Mr. Butler would contact Scott Burt an arborist and former member of the board. Mr. Butler added that the reason they chose that tree is because it was specially bred to be disease resistant and a good roadside tree made to withstand roadside conditions.

**Subaru Leave No Trace recap**

The event was extremely informative. There was a small group present. They did a hike up to Great Rock after and did some trail cleaning along the way. The Board agreed it would be worth having Ms. Winmill put in an application for next year to see if they could come back in the fall.

**46 Turtle Handling Workshop with Alana of Zoo Creatures in Plaistow**

47 Alana Hess from Zoo Creatures has offered to do an educational event for the town on how to  
48 properly handle turtles and help them cross roads. She usually charges \$250 per event but would  
49 only charge \$100 for the Board. The Board agreed it would be good to have it in the Spring  
50 during turtle crossing season.

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**52 Tick Talk**

53 The event will be Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at 7:00 at the Town Hall. It will be recorded and  
54 broadcast. Ms. Winmill will be at the Town Hall for setup at 6:30 and will bring some  
55 refreshments.

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**57 August/September Scavenger Hunt**

58 Ms. Winmill would like to run it in a similar way as the last event. She plans to have more items  
59 for teams to find since most teams got through the previous list fairly quickly last time. The  
60 Board was in favor of doing it again.

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**62 Speaking For Wildlife**

63 Ms. Winmill received her certification to do talks as a volunteer for UNH. There are several  
64 topics to choose from. She is going to offer her services to local town committees. If the Board  
65 would like her to do a talk for them, she would be happy to do that.

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**67 Set a date for Fremont Road Town Forest trail maintenance**

68 There are some trails in the Fremont Road Town Forest that need maintenance including: the red  
69 trail, the trail from the field and the purple trail. Ms. Winmill suggested holding a maintenance  
70 day with the Board. The Board agreed to meet on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00.

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**72 UNH intern Trailfinder trail mapping**

73 The interns walked the Fremont Road, Morrison and Odell Road properties. They are going to  
74 wait on the Wells Village property until it is fully marked.

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**76 Bee Talk**

77 The event will be Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the Recreation Center. There were several people  
78 signed up for the event.

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**80 Blandings turtle sign**

81 Ms. Winmill is working on the sign to educate people to leave the turtles alone if they come  
82 across them.

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84 Mr. Gilday distributed materials from the National Heritage Bureau (NHB) that keeps track of  
85 sensitive species. He noted anytime someone does a wetland permit they have to provide a report  
86 from the NHB proving there are no sensitive species in the area.

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88 He added that any reports of sensitive species should be reported to NH Fish and Game to be  
89 added to the NHB database.

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**91 Other Business Continued**

92 Mr. Gilday noted he would be doing a site visit to Patchwood Farms with Mr. Bogosh.  
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94 Ms. Gaudreau noted she was not trying to make a big deal out of it and was not intending to  
95 harass the owners, but had some concerns about the site work being done.  
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97 Mr. Gilday will look for erosion control measures, setbacks to the corals and will report back to  
98 the Board. He will plan to do a site walk with Ms. Gaudreau on a different day.  
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100 **Non-Public Meeting**

101 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to go into a Non-Public Meeting according to RSA: 91: A:  
102 3 II (d). Ms. Gaudreau seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.  
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104 *Roll Call:* Paul Carey, Brian Butler, Pam Gaudreau, Jill Winmill, Tom Sands, Katie Palladino,  
105 Terry Knuuttenen  
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107 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to seal the minutes. Mr. Sands seconded the motion.  
108 Members voted in favor. The motion passed.  
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110 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Gaudreau seconded the motion. All  
111 members voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed. MEETING ADJOURNED at  
112 approximately 8:18 p.m.  
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114 Respectfully Submitted,



115 Andrea Cairns  
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