

1                                   **Sandown Conservation Commission**

2   **Minutes**

3   **March 14,2019**

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6   **Date:** March 14,2019

7   **Place:** Sandown Town Hall

8   **Members Present:** Paul Carey- Chair, Brian Butler- Vice Chair, Jillian  
9   Winmill, Nick Ortins, Christy Ducharme, Tom Sands, Pamela Gaudreau  
10   Bruce Gilday- environmental Consultant

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12   **Members Absent:** Mark Traeger, Melyssa Tapley- Administrative  
13   Assistant, Terry Knuuttunen

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15   **Selectmen’s Liaison:** Mr. Darren Hudgins: Absent

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17   **Opening:** Mr. Carey opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
18   Mr. Carey appoints Ms. Ducharme in place for Mr. Knuuttunen

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20   **Review of 2/28/2019 Minutes**

21   **Motion**

22   Mr. Ortins made a motion to accept the 2/28/2019 minutes as written. Mr.  
23   Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in favor. The  
24   motion passed. (6-0-0)

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26   **Non-Public under RSA 91-A:3 II (c) reputation**

27   **Motion:**

28   Mr. Butler made a motion to go into Non-Public under RSA 91-A:3 II (c)  
29   reputation. Mr. Sands second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in  
30   favor. The motion passed. (6-0-0)

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32   *Roll Call: Paul Carey, Brian Butler, Jillian Winmill, Nick Ortins, Christy*  
33   *Ducharme, Tom Sands, Bruce Gilday*

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35   **Motion:**

36   Mr. Butler made a motion to seal the non-public minutes of 3/14/2019. Ms.  
37   Winmill second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in favor. The  
38   motion passed. (6-0-0)

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40   **Correspondence**

- 41       • **News Letter from Bartlett Tree Service**

- 42       • **Letter from Southeast Land Trust, they are coming out to inspect**  
43       **their easements of some of Conservations property.**  
44       • **Notice of Decision from the Sandown Planning Board, approving**  
45       **a minor subdivision application submitted by Christopher**  
46       **Tammany on Cranberry Meadow Road.**

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#### 49       **Turning Plastic into beauty: Plastic into Trex Bench**

50       Ms. Gaudreau brought up that at the last meeting Fran Rosenau has been  
51       saving plastic bags and working with a program Turning Plastic into beauty  
52       and has received three Trex Benches. You must collect 500lbs of plastic and  
53       once you reach the 500lb goal you receive a Trex Bench. Ms. Rosenau is  
54       wrapping up the program on her end and asked the Commission if they  
55       would like to continue it and Hannaford's is still will to be the drop off  
56       location. Ms. Gaudreau mentioned getting a Trex Bench for the Princeton  
57       elm. Ms. Winmill is willing to continue the program and will investigate  
58       using the Town Hall, The Library and The Dump as a drop off location for  
59       the plastic and she will pick them up and bring them to Hannaford's.  
60       Mr. Carey suggested to table this discussion till the next meeting and have  
61       the members come up with more ideas on how to continue this program. Ms.  
62       Winmill will post on Conservation's Facebook Page to get the word out.

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#### 64       **Old Business**

65       Mr. Carey asked the members who attended the Finding Mitigation  
66       Opportunities in Your Community workshop went on Monday March 11<sup>th</sup>.  
67       Ms. Ducharme, Ms. Winmill, Mr. Butler, Mr. Ortins where at the workshop.  
68       It was a presentation about the grant programs coming up this year. Mr.  
69       Gilday handed out resources from the workshop.  
70       Mr. Butler spoke up and said that part of the workshop also went over maps  
71       and mapping program. Part of it is Aquatic and culvert replacements in  
72       town.

#### 73       **Motion**

74       Ms. Gaudreau made a motion to write up a proposal to apply for the ARM  
75       Grant money.  
76       Mr. Carey asks what property is Ms. Gaudreau is looking at for the motion.  
77       Ms. Gaudreau is looking at the Morrison Lane property for the proposal. Mr.  
78       Gilday and Mr. Carey both agree the motion is to early to make with out  
79       looking into the property and seeing what other options are there.  
80       Ms. Winmill noted that for the next meeting everyone does some research  
81       for what property would be good for the ARM's grant.

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83 **Natural Resource Inventory**

84 Nothing new to report on this meeting.

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87 **Fishing Derby**

88 Mr. Butler stated that Ms. Butler has applied for the license for the Fishing  
89 Derby through the NH Fish and Game department. Ms. Butler has received  
90 several donations from different organizations for the Fishing Derby.

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92 **Community Garden**

93 Mr. Butler mentioned that Ms. Tapley was in contact by the Library about  
94 getting a plot this year. Ms. Ducharme at a previous meeting she would be  
95 interested in becoming the Community Garden Chair.

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97 Ms. Gaudreau missed the review of the minutes and would like the board to  
98 revisit the minutes as she has corrections.

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100 **Motion**

101 Mr. Sands made a motion to revisit the minutes from 2/28/19. Ms. Winmill  
102 second the motion. Mr. Carey called the vote. All in favor. The motion  
103 passed.

104 Ms. Gaudreau would like lines 102-104 of the minutes to be reworded. She  
105 would like it to read she had neighbors approach her with questions and  
106 concerns about the new indoor riding arena under construction at Patchwood  
107 Farm in terms of how it may impact the wetlands that Patchwoods Farm is  
108 putting up Mr. Carey suggested that they come to a meeting to discuss their  
109 concerns. Ms. Gaudreau noted that the commission had asked Mr. Gilday  
110 visit the farm when the land was first cleared, to discuss the commission's  
111 concerns about the possible wetland impact and best practices for manure  
112 management. The farm has been making good efforts to minimize wetland  
113 impact and commission agreed to follow up periodically as the project  
114 progressed. Now that the indoor arena has been raised, it might be a good  
115 time to follow up.

116 **Motion:**

117 Mr. Butler made a motion to accept the amended to the 2/28/10 minutes. Ms.  
118 Winmill second. All in favor. The motion passed.

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120 **New Business**

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122 Ms. Winmill handed out a newsletter from UNH Extension about a new  
123 program they are doing. New Hampshire Bioblitz program this program

124 supplies assistants to the towns to see what kind of species and wildlife live  
125 in certain areas. Ms. Winmill would like to have someone come out from  
126 this program and tell the Commission what kinds of species and wildlife live  
127 on one of Conservations properties. The deadline for the application is May  
128 15<sup>th</sup>.

129 Ms. Winmill would like to have a state Biologist come out and do a Bat  
130 Count over at Darren Hudgins Barn. The Hudgins have well over 100 bats in  
131 their barn and they are not sure if they are Brown or Black bats. The Bat  
132 count would be between May 1<sup>st</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Winmill will contact the  
133 State Biologist and the Hudgins on when is a good time to come out and do  
134 the Bat Count.

135 Ms. Winmill mentioned that there is a workshop coming up on Tuesday  
136 April 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 11:30 going over the GRANTS that are being offered  
137 this year. She is unable to attend and if anyone could that would be great.

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139 **Motion:**

140 Ms. Winmill made a motion to have Bruce Gilday our environmental  
141 consultant go to this meeting on the Commissions behalf. Ms. Ducharme  
142 second the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

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144 Ms. Winmill mentioned that the Saving Special Places workshop is coming  
145 up on April 6<sup>th</sup>. It's an all-day workshop costing \$65.00.

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147 Mr. Butler along with Ms. Gaudreau attended the Barn Whisper coming out  
148 and he went over a few things that could be done now on restoring the barn.  
149 Mr. Butler would like to get all the department heads that use the barn  
150 together to see what needs to be done and cleaned out. Mr. Butler would like  
151 to get a work party together and clean the stuff in there out.

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153 **Adjournment**

154 Mr. Butler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sands second the motion. All in  
155 favor. The motion passed. Meeting ADJOURNED at 9:05 p.m.

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157 Respectfully Submitted

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159 Melyssa Tapley

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