

Sunapee Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes January 3, 2018

Present: Van Webb, Lela Emery, Gerry Tracey, Tim Fleury

Andy Deegan with ASLPT and Jolyn Johnson were present to review the Wendall Marsh project. There will be two conditions in the property easement and deed before acquired by the town. There will be an agricultural easement to abutter Scott Flanders which only continues in his life time or for as long as he owns his property. This parcel will be closed for hunting and trapping with this restriction written into the deed. There is a foot bridge access to the parcel via Lower Main St. The language of the bridge referenced in 1907 "in common use by reservation". SCC plans to keep the bridge access and maintain the bridge. SCC will create a budget for the bridge repair to take place shortly after the property is acquired. This parcel will provide open space, trails and wetlands to the Lower Village. There is access to this parcel with parking by the Treatment Plant Lot/Rd access and at the Wendall Dam.

Tim Fleury made the motion to move forward with a March 2018 time table on the Wendall Marsh Project for public hearings and Select Board vote pending language of hunting/trapping and the right away of the bridge. Gerry Tracey seconded the motion. All in favor 4.

Gerry Tracey made the motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of December 2017 as written.

Seconded by Tim Fleury. All in Favor 4.

No Treasurers report was available, Van will try again to get accounting as this will need to be necessary in going forward with 2018 projects. SCC assumes the budget of \$3,550 and the Warrant article of \$55,000 is all set with no news of any change.

No Mail

LCIP monitoring of Sunapee properties has been completed by Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd Ptn. SCC has received an invoice from Meadowsend for the LCIP monitoring. **Tim Fleury made the motion to pay the invoice #1-1868 for the Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd Ptn PO Box 966 New London NH 03275 from the Professional Service 2018 Budget line item. The total is \$480. (8 hours total @ \$60/hr, 6 field hours in the Field and 2 hours for reporting) Seconded by Gerry Tracey. All in favor 4.**

SCC will participate in the Town of Sunapee's 250th celebration scheduled in August 2018. SCC will offer a hike on the Herbert Welch trail located on Garnet Hill Rd. This will be a 2 hour event, rain or shine. The SCC tour guide will highlight attributes of the land as well as the story of Herbert Welch who lived on Garnet Hill and was a pioneer in land preservation and was largely responsible for the existence of Mt Sunapee. Day and time frame will be left up to the 250th committee to hopefully avoid conflict of activities. Lela Emery will take care of write up for the 250th Committee for us to be incorporated in to the festivities.