WOLFEBORO CONSERVATION COMMISSION February 15, 2010 MINUTES

<u>Members Present:</u> Dan Coons, Chairman, Mike Hodder, Vice-Chairman, Ed Roundy, Dave Wheeler, Randy Tetreault, Lenore Clark, Members. Sarah Silk, Alternate.

Member Absent: Bob Gilbert, Member.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman Coons opened the meeting at 6:37 PM. Chairman Coons appointed Sarah Silk, Alternate to sit in for Bob Gilbert, Member.

Consideration of Minutes January 11, 2010

It was moved by Lenore Clark and seconded by Mike Hodder to approve the January 11, 2010 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. Dan Coons, Mike Hodder, Ed Roundy, Dave Wheeler, Randy Tetreault, Lenore Clark voted in favor. Sarah Silk abstained. The motion passed.

Consideration of Dredge & Fill Minutes January 11, 2010

It was moved by Mike Hodder and seconded by Dave Wheeler to approve the January 11, 2010 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. Dan Coons, Mike Hodder, Ed Roundy, Dave Wheeler, Randy Tetreault, Lenore Clark voted in favor. Sarah Silk abstained. The motion passed.

January 27, 2010 Corrections: Page 1, Members Present; add Ed Roundy

<u>It was moved by Sarah Silk and seconded by Ed Roundy to approve the January 27, 2010 Wolfeboro</u> <u>Conservation Commission minutes as submitted</u>. <u>Dan Coons, Mike Hodder, Ed Roundy voted in favor</u>. <u>Sarah Silk, Dave Wheeler, Lenore Clark, Randy Tetreault abstained</u>. <u>The motion passed</u>.

Discussion Items

Who's Coming to Dinner?

Dan Coons stated Jon Batson, professional landscaper, would be making a presentation on habitats at the Wolfeboro Public Library on March 31, 2010. He questioned whether the Commission is interested in sponsoring the presentation (along with Moose Mountain Regional Greenways).

Following further discussion, the Commission agreed to sponsor the presentation and invite the Agricultural Commission and Parks & Recreation to co-sponsor the event. Advertising to be consist of an

article in the Granite State News, post on Town's website and cable tv with invites to be extended to other organizations such as the Garden Club, GALA, LRCT, LWA and other Conservation Commissions.

> <u>NH Timberland Owners Association</u>

<u>It was moved by Mike Hodder and seconded by Sarah Silk to renew Conservation Commission's</u> <u>membership to NH Timberland Owners Association.</u>

Discussion of the motion:

Ed Roundy questioned what the organization offers to the Commission.

Mike Hodder stated he would research such.

It was moved by Mike Hodder and seconded by Sarah Silk to renew Conservation Commission's membership to NH Timberland Owners Association. Randy Tetreault, Dave Wheeler, Sarah Silk, Mike Hodder, Lenore Clark voted in favor. Dan Coons, Ed Roundy opposed. The motion passed.

McBride Easement

Ed Roundy stated there is an improper use of the easement; storage of boats in Porcupine Cove. He stated he would write a letter to the owners requesting the boats be removed; noting Don McBride is aware of the issue and agrees with the course of action.

Trapping on Town owned property

Mike Hodder stated the law says that anyone can trap on State land with a license and can trap on private or municipal lands without a license but, with the owner's permission. He stated he would like the Conservation Commission to be in between the grantor of permission (Town Manager) and the trapper; noting he would draft a memo relative to procedures for trapping on Town owned property with the exception of public safety/health issues and action taken by the Police Department or Public Works Department.

Ed Roundy questioned whether Prime Wetland areas could be included.

Mike Hodder replied no, because the Town doesn't own those areas.

➢ Walt's Woods

Dan Coons stated Keith Fletcher, Moose Mountain Regional Greenways, is working on the matter.

Ed Roundy noted the following tasks associated with the project; sketch of property with easement, look at adjacent properties to be included in the easement, get an agreement with Mr. Leavy, determine costs associated with project, review easement language, contact Rust Pond Association and contact Land Bank to help move forward.

Dan Coons stated MMRG intends to canoe/kayak the area in April/May and possible walk the property as well.

Old Business

➢ Town Gardens

Mike Hodder stated Bruce Farr, KRHS, received a substantial grant from the USDA; noting the funds would be expended on the garden. He stated the intent is to build raised beds with environmentally safe materials (3 beds, 4'X50'). He reviewed the proposed drainage plans and stated a garden shed would be purchased for the site. He stated the gate would not be installed because there have not been any problems with trespassers.

It was moved by Sarah Silk and seconded by Ed Roundy to adjourn the February 15, 2010 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, *Lee Ann Keathley* Lee Ann Keathley