TOWN OF WOLFEBORO CONSERVATION COMMISSION May 11, 2015 MINUTES

<u>Members Present:</u> Dan Coons, Chairman, Luke Freudenberg, Selectmen's Representative & Alternate, Gail Antonucci, Lenore Clark, Art Slocum, Ed Roundy, Jeff Marchand, Members, Sarah Silk, Alternate.

Member Absent: Randy Tetreault, Alternate.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman Coons opened the meeting at 6:36 PM at the Wolfeboro Public Library.

I. <u>Consideration of Minutes</u> March 9, 2015 Site Visit Minutes

It was moved by and seconded by to approve the March 9, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Site Visit minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

March 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Lenore Clark and seconded by Gail Antonucci to approve the March 9, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Regular Meeting minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

April 13, 2015

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Jeff Marchand to approve the April 13, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. Dan Coons, Luke Freudenberg, Art Slocum, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy voted in favor. Lenore Clark, Gail Antonucci abstained. The motion passed.

Dredge & Fill Minutes March 2, 2015

It was moved by Lenore Clark and seconded by Gail Antonucci to approve the March 2, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge and Fill minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

April 13, 2015

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Luke Freudenberg to approve the April 13, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge and Fill minutes as submitted. Dan Coons, Luke Freudenberg, Art Slocum, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy voted in favor. Lenore Clark, Gail Antonucci abstained. The motion passed.

May 2, 2015

Corrections: Page 1, Camp Bernadette motion; change name and tax map number to reflect

Camp Bernadette information.

It was moved by Luke Freudenberg and seconded by Jeff Marchand to approve the May 2, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge and Fill minutes as amended. Dan Coons, Luke Freudenberg, Gail Antonucci, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy voted in favor. Lenore Clark, Art Slocum abstained. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Cricket Hill Estates; Common Land Acquisition

The Commission conducted a site visit at the Cricket Hill Estates Subdivision, specifically the common area located at the cul-de-sac on Chipmunk Lane prior to this evening's meeting.

At the request of Dave Owen, Town Manager, the Commission reviewed a request to acquire the common area of the Cricket Hill Estates subdivision, currently owned by Bucky Melanson. Mr. Melanson is interested in gifting the land to the Town; noting the property is deemed an unbuildable lot per the Planning Board approval of the subdivision which requires the property be held in common for the benefit of the other lot owners.

The Commission discussed the proposal and noted the following concerns; whether the area has real conservation value, annual maintenance expense, lack of benefit to the entire Town, question of ownership remains unresolved and existing condition of the land due to logging activity. The Commission agreed that if the land is gifted to the Town with a clear deed they would have no objection to such.

B. Towns Garden 2015 Intern

Ed Roundy stated he met with the new coordinator of the Agriculture Department and discussed the unsuccessful experience with the program last year. He stated the program would be contingent upon the student developing a work schedule; noting the Food Pantry Garden Master Gardener developed a potential schedule (Friday 9am-11am and alternating Sunday and Monday for 10 weeks). He stated four of the forty hours would be dedicated to conservation work and overall duties would include weeding, pathway maintenance, mowing (with supervision), planting, litter pick up, working with invasive species, etc. He stated the responsibilities would be designated by the Food Pantry Garden volunteers. He stated the intern would be required to submit their hours including a brief description as to the work being done. He stated if the intern is unable to work on a scheduled day, the intern is required to notify the designated garden volunteer and provide a reason as to why they cannot work. He stated the intern is required to submit an application and will be interviewed for the position.

Sarah Silk asked if someone would be supervising/signing off the intern's work schedule.

Ed Roundy stated a Food Pantry Garden volunteer would do such.

Dan Coons questioned the contact person for the Food Pantry Garden volunteers.

Ed Roundy replied Susan Poirier.

It was moved by Ed Roundy and seconded by Lenore Clark to approve a 40-hour Food Pantry Garden student internship (Lakes Region Technology Center) at \$11.00/hour. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

C. Invasive Species

Ed Roundy stated the Commission should be taking a stand with regard to invasive species at Front Bay Park and the Town Gardens properties; noting such is the responsibility of the Commission as owners of the land.

Dan Coons stated the Kingswood Youth Center is scheduled to work on invasive species at Front Bay Park on Tuesday, May 19th at 3PM.

Jeff Marchand recommended such be an Eagle Scout project.

Ed Roundy recommended looking at professional assistance.

Art Slocum stated he contacted Southeast Land Trust; noting they utilize people from Massachusetts.

Dan Coons stated he would contact Wendy Scribner.

The Commission discussed contacting Bartlett Tree Service.

D. Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Gail Antonucci to appoint Dan Coons as Chairman to the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Gail Antonucci to appoint Lenore Clark as Vice-Chairman to the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

III. Old/New Business

McBride Property Monitoring Report

Dan Coons and Lenore Clark volunteered to assist with the property monitoring; noting Dan Coons would contact Don McBride to schedule a site walk.

Alternate Position

The BOS approved Randy Tetreault's request for reappointment as an Alternate to the Commission.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Collection is scheduled for the third Saturday of each month; medication collection occurring in July and August (medication drop off at the Police Station has been discontinued).

IV. <u>Informational Items</u>

The following information items were provided to the Commission; Protecting Water with the Salmon Falls Watershed Collaborative Workshop, Letters to NHDES regarding Ann Romney application and NHDES Wetlands correspondence.

<u>It was moved by Ed Roundy and seconded by Art Slocum to adjourn the May 11, 2015 Conservation</u>
<u>Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.</u>

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Lee Ann Keathley Lee Ann Keathley