

**TOWN OF WOLFEBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

June 8, 2015

MINUTES

Members Present: Dan Coons, Chairman, Luke Freudenberg, Selectmen's Representative & Alternate, Gail Antonucci, Ed Roundy, Jeff Marchand, Members.

Members Absent: Lenore Clark, Vice-Chairman, Art Slocum, Randy Tetreault, Sarah Silk, Alternates.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman Coons opened the meeting at 6:34 PM at the Wolfeboro Public Library.

Chairman Coons appointed Luke Freudenberg, Alternate, to sit in for Art Slocum, Member.

I. Consideration of Minutes
May 11, 2015 Site Visit Minutes

It was moved by Gail Antonucci and seconded by Ed Roundy to approve the May 11, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Site Visit minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

May 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Ed Roundy and seconded by Jeff Marchand to approve the May 11, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Regular Meeting minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Dredge & Fill Minutes
May 11, 2015

It was moved by Ed Roundy and seconded by Jeff Marchand to approve the May 11, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge and Fill minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

May 30, 2015

It was moved by Gail Antonucci and seconded by Ed Roundy to approve the May 30, 2015 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge and Fill minutes as submitted. Dan Coons, Ed Roundy, Gail Antonucci voted in favor. Luke Freudenberg, Jeff Marchand abstained. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Towns Garden 2015 Intern

Ed Roundy stated he and Dick Shurtleff interviewed three student candidates and selected Gabrielle Clavette as the 2015 intern; noting Ms. Clavette accepted the position. He stated the student was directed to contact Susan Poirier regarding a schedule.

B. Invasive Species; Front Bay Park and Towns Garden

Dan Coons stated the Kingswood Youth Center was unable to work on the invasive species at Front Bay Park on 5/16/15. He stated he spoke with Wendy Scribner regarding locating resources to address the invasive species and is awaiting a response from her research.

Ed Roundy stated the Towns Garden property is a more desirable location for chemical usage since it the property does not abut a lake. He questioned the complete success for eradicating the bittersweet; noting such is a serious problem that affects the property and health of the forest. He encouraged members to walk the Towns Garden property.

Jeff Marchand stated he emailed a local Eagle Scout contact in addition to a scout master in Rochester and is awaiting a response from both.

Luke Freudenberg questioned the acreage of the Towns Garden parcel.

Dan Coons replied 12 acres and noted bittersweet have taken over 8-10 acres.

Jeff Marchand questioned whether inmates at Carroll County do work.

Dan Coons stated he is unaware.

Jeff Marchand stated he would research such.

C. McBride Property; LCHIP Monitoring Report

Dan Coons stated he spoke to Don McBride and scheduled the site walk for the fall; noting he would contact Steve Walker, OEP, regarding such.

D. Shade Tree Deed

Dan Coons stated the Commission received information regarding a Shade Tree Deed to the Town of Wolfboro; noting such provides ownership of roadside trees were conveyed to the Town during the period of 1922 – 1923. He requested Staff contact the Society for the Protection of NH Forests regarding such.

The Commission agreed to table such until receipt of additional information from the Society for the Protection of NH Forests.

III. Old/New Business

Student Conservation Association

Dan Coons stated the Commission received an Agreement between the Student Conservation Association and the Commission to contract a 5-6 member SCA crew for a 22-day term of service scheduled from July 6-16, 2015 and July 21-31, 2015 to perform trail work at White Face Mountain and other conservation service activities associated with such; noting the cost associated with such being \$20,308.

It was moved by Gail Antonucci and seconded by Luke Freudenberg to contract the services of the Student Conservation Association to perform trail work at White Face Mountain in the amount of \$20,308; noting the funds will be debited from the Land Conservation Fund. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Goodwins Basin Historic Marker

Ed Roundy stated the State approved the Historic Marker for Goodwins Basin regarding ice harvesting. He recommended an additional sign at that location (4' off the ground with an angled front covered by glass) stating the acquisition of the properties through the cooperative effort of the Land Bank and the Conservation Commission. He stated the Land Bank agreed to pay for half of the cost of the sign.

Fernald Station

Dan Coons stated he met with Andrew Lester who will be submitting a proposal to the Commission for a one mile bike path (single track, stone dust path) at Fernald Station; noting the proposal would include a six mile extension on the west side of Willey Brook. He stated the path is proposed to be a 30" wide surface with shoulders on each side. He noted the proposal previously submitted cost \$150,000 for one mile.

Ed Roundy noted the importance of preserving Willey Brook because it is an important tributary.

IV. Informational Items

The following information items were provided to the Commission; Southern Maine Forestry Services Newsletter, Granite State Tree Farmer publication, NHDES newsletter and NHDES Wetlands correspondence.

Dan Coons requested Staff retrieve a copy of the NH Association for Conservation Commission member handbook.

It was moved by Ed Roundy and seconded by Gail Antonucci to adjourn the June 8, 2015 Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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