

**TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON**  
**Conservation Commission**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
NEW HAMPTON TOWN OFFICE  
NEW HAMPTON, NH 03256

November 11, 2019

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Regular Members: Mr. G. DuBois, Mr. T. Simpson, Ms. K. Peterson, Mr. R. Leroux, Mr. B. Pollock, Mr. M. Schofield, Mr. N. Brown, Mrs. S. Martinez.  
Absent Members: Mr. B. Rolfe

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

None

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. DuBois called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**MINUTES**

Minutes of 10/14/2019 were approved and accepted.

1. Update of meeting with the Select Board, Thursday November 7, 2019.

1.) Mr. DuBois gave a brief overview of meeting with Select Board. He presented feedback by Select Board regarding potential easements on Jackson Pond property, Bald Ledge Property, and Robinson Falls Property.

Mr. Leroux would like to continue gathering information to support the conservation of Jackson Pond Property. Mr. DuBois recommended to have a proposal drafted for review for Select Board. Mrs. Martinez will help with research and Ms. Peterson can assist in reviewing a potential proposal for Jackson Pond.

Mr. Leroux made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peterson to continue to research and pursue a conservation easement on Jackson Pond Property

*Vote was unanimous.*

Mr. Dubois distributed Tax Map R-8, Lots 1, 1R, 1S, 1V, & 18. Lots are currently owned by Town of New Hampton. Based on location of properties in conjunction with Sky Pond State Forest it is recommended that NHCC moves forward with attaching an easement to above properties.

Ms. Peterson discussed potential steps. Property would need to be surveyed. NHCC would need to locate a land trust with a capacity to monitor large parcels. Legal fees would be expected and NHCC will need to identify what we would like to easement

to say. She recommended checking State Database regarding endangered species. NHCC could hire a wetland scientist to identify wetland areas, also a forestry expert would be beneficial.

NHCC would need to follow-up with the state regarding lease on trail.

Mr. DuBois recommended discussing details further at NHCC January's Planning Retreat.

Mr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schofield to pursue conservation easements on town properties located on Tax Map R-8, Lots 1, 1R, 1S, 1V, & 18 surrounding Bald Ledge.

*Vote was unanimous.*

Mr. DuBois will continue to follow-up with Dan Moore and NEF regarding potential conservation area surrounding Robinson Falls.

2. Rick Van de Poll's memo to Barbara Lucas RE: Snake River Parking and parking update from Erin Darrow.

2.) Mr. DuBois gave update on Snake River Project. DES permit is still pending. DES has suggested a barrier wall. Mr. DuBois will follow-up with Ms. Darrow as she had presented a design with a wall. Both he and Ms. Darrow will meet with DES to discuss plans further regarding permit.

Mr. DuBois read email from Mr. Van de Pool regarding suggestions developing conservation area at Snake River.

3. Signage for conservation properties.

3.) Mrs. Martinez presented three quotes for aluminum signs at KDCA that state "no camping". Currently Correctional Industries has a more competitive price at \$19.00 per sign. KDCA will need five.

Mrs. Martinez proposed three quotes for wooden signs to replace current signs at certain conservation areas. Prices ranged from \$500.00 - \$1000.00/per sign. There was discussion on potential refurbishment of signs. NHCC member Nick Brown volunteered to attempt refurbishment/creating new conservation signs.

4. Monitoring of easements and conservation properties.

4.) Mr. Simpson gave an update of monitoring of Youst Easement. He mentioned that it is a difficult area to walk based on boundary markings. Assignments were designated for final easement monitoring.

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5. Mowing of K-D Fields completed and invoice for payment sent to NHF&G.

5.) Mr. DuBois gave update on KDCA mowing. Bill from Mr. Dean Huckins was presented in the amount of \$250.00 for August and June Mowing. Amount was approved and voted on in prior meeting. Mrs. Martinez will record and submit to town office.

6. NHACC Annual Meeting- November 2.

6.) Mr. DuBois and Ms. Peterson mentioned some information from the Annual meeting regarding new wetlands and shoreland regulations.

**Announcements/Other Business:**

Mr. Pollock stated that New Hampton will be included in a new statewide aquifer study through Lakes Region Planning Commission.

**Public Comment:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Leroux made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Schofield at 8:48 pm.

***Vote was unanimous.***

Respectfully submitted,  
Shana M. Martinez