

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

July 8, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Regular Members: R. Leroux, B. Pollock, G. DuBois
Alternate Members: S. Martinez, K. Peterson, and B. Rolfe
Absent Members: T. Simpson, M. Schofield

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Erin Darrow
Mr. Richard Demark
Mr. Scott Powell

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. DuBois called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

MINUTES

K. Peterson made a motion, seconded by B. Pollock to accept minutes of 6/10/19 with the following changes: Name Correction M. Leroux to R. Leroux under "Annual Elections of Officers".

Vote was unanimous.

Correspondence

N/A

Snake River Access & Parking
Plan: *Meeting with Erin Darrow, Right Angle Engineering.*

Ms. Darrow presented map of Snake River Conservation area with proposed driveway.

She is proposing to extend the current parking area back 20 feet from its current delineation with minimal impact. The area would be mainly fill and gravel. This plan would allow approximately 5 parking spaces and an ample turn-around for NHDOT trucks. Ms. Darrow explained that the creation of parking area is still considered minimal impact. She is proposing a vegetation slope to address drainage concerns. There is a current meeting scheduled for Wednesday 7/10/2019 at 10:00 a.m. with NH DOT to discuss any additional recommendations to the parking area. G. DuBois and S. Martinez will also attend. G. DuBois and Ms. Darrow are also scheduled to meet with Selectmen on Thursday 7/11/2019 at 7:00 p.m. to further discuss NHDOT & DES permits.

Lake Wicwas Watershed
Protections- *Meeting with Mr. Rick Demark & Mr. Scott Powell, Lake Wicwas Association.*

Mr. Demark & Mr. Powell presented current map of the Wicwas Watershed area. At this time there have been several high impact areas identified within New Hampton Town limits. Ideal concentration would be properties and land near Dolloff Brook and Blake Brook. Wicwas Association would like to work with NHCC in identifying crucial watershed areas in New Hampton and potentially work together in conserving areas along the watershed.

K. Peterson made a motion, seconded by B. Pollock to collaborate further with the Wicwas Association in a combined effort to locate and identify properties and land in New Hampton vital to protecting the Wicwas Watershed.

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Vote was unanimous.

Old Business:

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| a) <i>Glines Property Boundaries: Tax Map R3, Lots 3, 17, & 19.</i> | a) Survey completed. Map presented by B. Pollock of final determination of new boundary lines. No additional questions. |
| b) <i>Snake River Prime Wetland</i> | b) Application is pending. |
| c) <i>Trail Management at Sky Pond Forest</i> | c) The NH Division of Forests and Lands has Granted the Conservation Commission a Special Use Permit to maintain the trail from Sky Pond to Bald Ledge which runs through the Sky Pond State Forest. The permit is effective from 7/1/2019-11/30/2021. |
| d) <i>Files</i> | d) NHCC file cabinet has been moved to the upstairs meeting room. Members will work together to arrange and organize NHCC documentation. |
| e) <i>Pat S. tree planting at KDCA</i> | e) Mrs. Schlesinger's tree is scheduled to be planted on 7/10/2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Kelley Drake Conservation Area (KDCA). B. Pollock with pick-up tree and drive it to KDCA. G. DuBois will meet Mr. Pollock there. The New Hampton Highway Dept. will assist with the planting. Barbara Lucas stated that she will investigate plaque options in recognition of Mrs. Schlesinger work on the NHCC. |
| f) <i>Kiosk and map at KDCA</i> | f) Kiosk is completed and ready for signage. G. DuBois presented invoice in the amount of \$218.00 which exceeds the \$210.00 amount agreed upon at the June 10, 2019 meeting. R. Leroux made a motion, seconded by B. Pollock to increase amount to \$218.00 to cover full amount of invoice.
Vote was unanimous. |
| g) <i>Volunteers for KDCA</i> | g) G. DuBois gave an update of KDCA and help of volunteers for trail management. |
| h) <i>Fish & Game Grant Applications</i> | h) Fish and Game grant applications for field mowing and apple tree freeing have been completed and submitted. Pending review and approval. R. Leroux will contact contractor when the orchard is ready for cutting and removing unwanted growth. |
| i) <i>Smoke Rise Properties: - Tax Map U8, Lots 7, 8, 10, 35, 38, 39 & possibly 29.</i> | i) G. DuBois presented map of Smoke Rise properties for consideration to be donated/purchased by the Town New Hampton for conservation purposes by the Jaffa Trust. Upon discussion it was determined that said lots are not ideal for conservation areas based on sizes, proximity to NH RTE 104 and cost to maintain/create roads located within lots. NHCC will not pursue at this time. |
| j) <i>Financial statement</i> | j) G. DuBois discussed financial statement. No additional questions. |

New Business:

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| a) <i>Trail Brochure for KDCA (and Bald Cliff?)</i> | a) G. DuBois presented estimate of \$160.00 for 200 tri-fold brochures from R.C. Bradshaw. R. Leroux indicated that they should be placed at KDCA, however Bald Ledge could not accommodate increased foot/vehicle traffic at this time. It was agreed the commission would purchase brochures for KDCA. S. Martinez made a motion, accepted by |
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B. Pollock to purchase 200 brochures for KDCA not to exceed the total amount of \$200.00.

Vote was unanimous.

b) *Signs for Conservations Lands*

b) G. DuBois indicated that some signs located at conservation lands needed to be replaced. S. Martinez volunteered to investigate sign companies and obtain estimates.

c) *Old Home Day*

c) G. DuBois asked if NHCC should set up a table at Old Home Day. It was agreed that we should have a presence there. G. DuBois will contact honorary member P. Schlesinger to see if she would like to assist.

Public Comment:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:53 p.m. made by K. Peterson, Seconded by B. Pollock.

Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Shana M. Martinez

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