

TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
Conservation Commission
MEETING MINUTES
6 Pinnacle Hill Road, NEW HAMPTON, NH 03256

August 8, 2022

Members Present: Regular Members: Mrs. Shana Martinez, Mr. Bob Pollock, Mrs. Deb Pendergast, Mr. Maurice Schofield
Alternate Members: Mr. Jacob Green

Others Present: None

Call to order: Mrs. Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes **Mrs. Pendergast made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pollock to accept May 9, 2022, Minutes. Vote was unanimous. June Minutes were deferred to August meeting for further review by Commission members.**

Correspondence Wetlands- Permit Application for review

1. ELECTIONS-2022

1.) Mrs. Martinez handed over meeting to Vice Chair Mr. Pollock who called for nominations for Chair. Mrs. Pendergast nominated Mr. Schofield. Mr. Schofield respectfully declined. Mr. Pollock nominated Mrs. Martinez as Chair seconded by Mr. Schofield. Vote was unanimous. Meeting was given back over to Mrs. Martinez who requested nominations for Vice Chair, Mrs. Pendergast made a motion to elect Mr. Pollock, seconded by Mr. Schofield. Vote was unanimous. Mrs. Martinez called and nominated Mrs. Pendergast as secretary, seconded by Mr. Pollock. Vote was unanimous.

**2. DOLLOF BROOK
CONSERVATION AREA
UPDATE & DISCUSSION**

2.) Mrs. Martinez will plan to meet with legal to discuss next steps and will advise of any future updates. She would like to have this area included in September cleanup day.

**3. EVERSOURCE
REPORTS/UPDATES**

3.) Work/Construction has been completed. Mitigating structures will be monitored for stability and removed later.

**4. BALD LEDGE/UPDATE AND
DISCUSSION**

4.) Mr. Schofield advised that he has found company to remove all items that were listed in original report found by LRCT. There were additional wells and debris located and this would also be addressed. He advised that Mr. Murray will ensure all wells are capped and septic systems removed. He gave a verbal estimate of \$80.00 with approximately 40 hrs. of work. Mr. Pollock made a motion to allow work to begin with the above-mentioned items and payment not to exceed \$3200.00, anything additional will need to be reviewed and any additional fund voted on. Vote was unanimous. Mrs. Martinez advised that invoice will be needed to pay Mr. Murray upon completion of work.

**5. CC QUARTERLY
FINANCIALS**

5.) Mrs. Martinez passed out copies of quarterly financials, she also brought up for discussion amending last month's vote regarding CC funds. Currently the NHPDIP Fund has a very good interest rate. She advised that it would be best to keep monies in the fund for as long as possible. She

recommended keeping the monies in the CC account and the take the money out when an invoice has been presented for payment. Mrs. Pendergast moved, seconded by Mr. Pollock to amend last month's motion to hold on transferring funds until and invoice has been presented for payment. Vote was unanimous

6. DISCUSSION CRYSTAL VIEW/PALMER CONSERVATION FUNDS

6.) Mrs. Martinez gave a history on account and Crystal View/Palmer Conservation Area and savings account that was established. She advised that funds were set aside, but conservation area that was intended for these funds have now been absorbed into larger conservation area. Upon review of the deed, it appears fund may be moved into main CC fund, she will discuss with Town about having funds moved into main CC Fund and close Crystal View Savings accounts. Commission agrees to move funds if applicable.

7. SEPTEMBER CLEANUP

7.) Commission discussed having a cleanup for Snake River Conservation Area and Dolloff Brook Conservation Area. Mrs. Martinez suggested establishing a FB for the Commission to moderate to reach more people. She will speak with Town, Dept of Works, and Transfer station. Mrs. Pendergast recommended having a light meal provided for the volunteers afterwards. Mr. Green mentioned putting together species impact reports for our Conservation areas.

8. GRANTS AND CC FUNDING FOR 2022/2023

8.) Mrs. Pendergast will continue to work with Mrs. Martinez in locating application and requirements for upcoming grants.

9. DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED GROUND WATER ORDINANCE.

9.) Deferred to next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Pendergast made a motion, seconded by Mr. Green to adjourn meeting at 7:50 p.m. Vote was unanimous

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

September 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Shana M. Martinez